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FOREWARD

A thirty (30) month pilot test program was conducted which consisted of a coordinated test activity between interested NATO/AGARD SMP member countries including Sweden as a non-member country. This pilot program lead to a more uniform attitude toward fatigue testing and evaluation of critically loaded hole parameters among its participants. This report describes the US portion of a complex test program where each new phase was initiated after the successful completion of the previous phase. The program was conducted under Air Force Contract No. F33615-78-C-5030. The program manager for the Air Force Wright Aeronautical Laboratories was Mr Robert Urzi. The prime contractor was Metcut Research Associates Inc. in Cincinnati, Ohio under the direction of Mr John B Kohls. Subcontractors to Metcut were: Battelle-Columbus Laboratories (Mr Stephen Ford) in Columbus, Ohio which conducted all spectrum fatigue testing and University of Dayton Research Institute (Mr George Roth) in Dayton, Ohio which performed the load verification effort.

Contribution of fastener equipment and installation techniques included Messrs. Paul Pagel of Kaynar, Fullerton, California and Patrick Meade of Monogram/Aerospace Fasteners, Los Angeles, California.

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SECTION I

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

1. PHASE 1

The aim and purpose of Phase 1 and Phase 1A (Phase 1 repeat) was to substantiate the thesis that in spite of idiosyncrasies in fatigue testing occurring in widely separated mechanical testing laboratories, fatigue testing of identical specimens, utilizing similar testing parameters, e.g. load history, physical/chemical environment, etc., would lead to mutually agreeable conclusions. The thesis was stated with the stipulation that all test samples were identical in physical, mechanical, and geometric properties.

2. PHASE 2

From the data submitted on Phase 1 and preliminary analysis of the data, a major restructuring of the Pilot Test Program took place. Added to the program was a complete replication of the Phase 1 test effort. This replication took place concurrent to the Phase 2 test activity. Phase 2 was modified as to content and level of effort required. Retained from the original program was the definition of two levels of hole quality (cost) reflecting each participant's aerospace industry. Taking advantage of the Phase 1 results and with the replication of the Phase 1 testing, the concept of round-robin testing was not used for the Phase 2 activity. It was felt that the homogeneity of variance exhibited in Phase 1 data which was further densified by repeating the Phase 1 tests enabled each country to work independently in Phase 2. However, common materials and a single source of specimen blanks was used in Phase 2. Each participant fabricated their own test coupons from specimen blanks provided by the

U. S. Each participant fabricated six specimens containing a high quality (cost) hole and ten specimens containing a low quality (cost) hole. These specimens were subsequently fatigue tested as "open hole" coupons.

Concurrently with the tests on the sixteen specimens, six repeat specimens, identical to Phase 1 specimens, were also tested. It was felt that this approach enabled the concept of round-robin testing to be dropped. This approach also provided a better basis for the unaltered concept of the Phase 3 program. It enables the participants to compare the ratios determined in Phase 3 with those arrived at in Phase 2. In addition to retaining the original scheduling proposed for Phases 2 and 3, this concept provided a reduction in the total number of specimens manufactured and tested by each participant.

3. PHASE 3

In this phase the work developed into separate programs, each program being undertaken by one participant and being complete in its own right. Each participants program determined the fatigue performance of one (his choice) structural fatigue rated fastener system installed in a high or low quality hole (by his own definition). It also studied a non-fatigue rated fastener alternative of the same static strength assembled with low quality holes. Phase 3 utilized a low load transfer joint specimen, assembled utilizing standard acceptable joining and faying surface practices. However these faying surface conditions and specimen geometry were identical for all participants.

SECTION II

MATERIAL AND SPECIMENS

The material used on the AGARD SMP Critically Loaded Hole Technology Program was 7050-T76 wrought aluminum alloy. This material was received in mill rolled sheets approximately .197" x 44.5" x 96" in size. There were two heats of material on the program. Heat No. 1 designated as Lot 302-791 was used in Phases 1, 1A, and 2 test activity. Heat No. 2 designated as Lot 219-521 was used only in Phase 3. The chemical composition and mechanical properties as supplied by the basic metal producer (Aluminum Company of America) are given in Table 1. Since the specimens were to be tested in the "as received" or "as milled" condition, the sheets of aluminum alloy were procured with protective coating on each side to prevent scratching or other surface blemishes during shipment.

Sketches showing the layout of the specimens used on the program are presented in Figures 1, 2, and 3. The specimen lengths were cut out using a Grob band saw cutting at approximately 300 ft./min. After cut out, the edges, both length and width, were face milled using the conditions given in Table 2. This was followed by contouring the gage section area per the condition given in Table 3.

The test hole, located in the center of the gage section was produced with a variety of techniques over the three phases of the program. Phases 1 and 1A test holes were drilled plus double reamed. Phases 2 and 3 used high and low quality holes per consensus of U. S. Aerospace Standards. The procedures for producing these holes are given in Table 4.

The basis for defining high and low quality was cost. The high quality holes were produced by a technique to simulate a Gemcor or other heavy duty automatic drilling machine. A Cincinnati Cinova 80 milling machine was used to assure spindle rigidity similar to a Gemcor. The drill runout did not exceed $\pm .0005$ inch. The specimen to be drilled was securely clamped to the machine tool table with a clamping pressure greater than 170 psi. The specimen was located on a special fixture to insure that the test hole was central with respect to both axis of the specimen. The drill geometry and machining conditions are given in Table 4. It is important to note that the high quality condition included a positive power feed rate and spray mist cutting fluid. After drilling, the test hole was not deburred.

The low quality holes were produced on a light duty, tool room type drill press. The specimen to be drilled was not clamped to the table, but allowed to "float" during the drilling operation. A standard jobbers length drill was used with a heavy manual feed rate. The drilling operation was performed without the use of a cutting fluid.

After drilling the low quality test hole but before the drill was extracted from the hole, the spindle was stopped. The drill was then extracted from the hole without rotating. The buildup that had collected on the cutting edges of the tool was allowed to rub along the test hole surface. The geometry and drilling conditions used to produce the low quality holes is given in Table 4.

After fabricating the holes for specimens used in Phases 1, 1A, and 2, the edges of the gage area were radiused using a carbide form cutter having a 1/32" radius. This operation was followed by longitudinal polishing of the gage area using 180 grit aluminum oxide paper. Test specimens were shipped to each participant listed in Table 5. Each country listed received: (1) specimens, (2) an explanatory letter, and (3) a packing slip identifying their particular specimens. A copy of the letter sent to each participant is given in Appendix A.

The Phase 2 specimen configuration was the same as for Phases 1 and 1A specimens. However, the center hole specimen blanks for Phase 2 testing had only a 1/16" pilot hole. These Phase 2 specimens were completed to the final configuration by the individual participants. Along with the specimens for Phases 1A and 2, two 4' x 8' aluminum plates were shipped to each participant for use in the manufacture of joint specimens to be tested in Phase 3.

Figure 4 is a sketch of the packaging of the aluminum plates and test specimens for Phase 2 shipment. A 1/2" sheet of plywood, 4' x 8', was laid on three 2" x 4" rails. The two aluminum plates (4' x 8') were then laid on the top of the plywood. A second sheet of plywood covered the aluminum plates. This second sheet of plywood had a pocket cut out of the center for locating the specimens. A 1/8" piece of plywood was first put into this pocket to separate the aluminum plates from the test

specimens. The specimens were placed on top of this 1/8" sheet and covered by another 1/8" sheet. This entire package was then covered by a third 1/2" sheet of plywood and fastened in place by steel strapping. The cross section of this stack up is given in Figure 4. This packaging procedure insured that the surface of the test specimens would not be blemished during shipment.

The specimens used in the Phase 3 portion of the program were low load transfer joint (reverse dogbone) specimens. A sketch of the specimens configuration is shown in Figure 5. These specimens received a faying surface sealant. This sealant was PR-1431-G and was manufactured by Products Research & Chemical Corporation, Gloucester City, NJ. The specification for use and description of this product as supplied by the sealant manufacturer is given in Appendix B. A procedure for installing this sealant on the faying surface was sent to each of the participants. This procedure is also given in Appendix B.

The phase 3 specimens were of three varieties:

1. High quality hole with a fatigue enhancement fastener
(K-Lobe fastener system manufactured by the Kaynar Company)
2. Low quality hole with a fatigue enhancement fastener
(K-Lobe)
3. Low quality hole with a blind rivet (VisuLok manufactured
by the Monogram Fasteners, a division of Monogram Industries)

The table giving the specimen number along with hole diameter and interference or clearance value for each of the specimens tested in Phase 3 is given in Table 6. The test results for Phases 1, 1A, 2, and 3, are given in reports by the Battelle-Columbus Labs. These reports are in Appendices C, D, and E, respectively.

A final portion of the program was the verification of loading accuracy for the Falstaff load sequence. This work was performed by the University of Dayton Research Institute (UDRI). Personnel from UDRI visited each of the participants and monitored their spectrum fatigue test equipment during test using the Falstaff load sequence program. A report on this load sequence and load level verification is given in Appendix F.

CONCLUSIONS

1. The use of widely separated and different National test facilities following the same basic test procedures and test techniques can lead to mutually agreeable test results among investigators provided there is a formal agreement prior to fatigue testing.
2. The need for round-robin testing can be minimized or even eliminated providing certain parameters are kept constant or provided to each individual participant. Sufficient accuracy checks during dynamic testing are absolutely essential.
3. The terms "high" and "low" quality holes did not lead to equivalent fatigue test results. By U.S. Aerospace Standards for low and high quality holes, the high quality hole leads to substantially longer test lives during the Phase 2 "open hole" program.
4. The results obtained during the Loading Verification activity provided data that the testing organization applied the correct loads of the Falstaff Spectrum in conducting fatigue tests for Phase 3 of this pilot program.
5. The use of the Kaynar K-Lobe fastener system leads to equivalent fatigue lives in testing low load transfer joint specimens when using both the low level and high level of hole quality. K-Lobe fasteners

were installed in interference fits ranging 0.0041 to 0.0045 inches in high quality holes and interference fits ranging from 0.0036 to 0.0045 inches in low quality holes. The use of a non-fatigue rated blind rivet system in low quality holes leads to very short fatigue lives. Those blind rivets were installed in clearance fit holes of low quality.

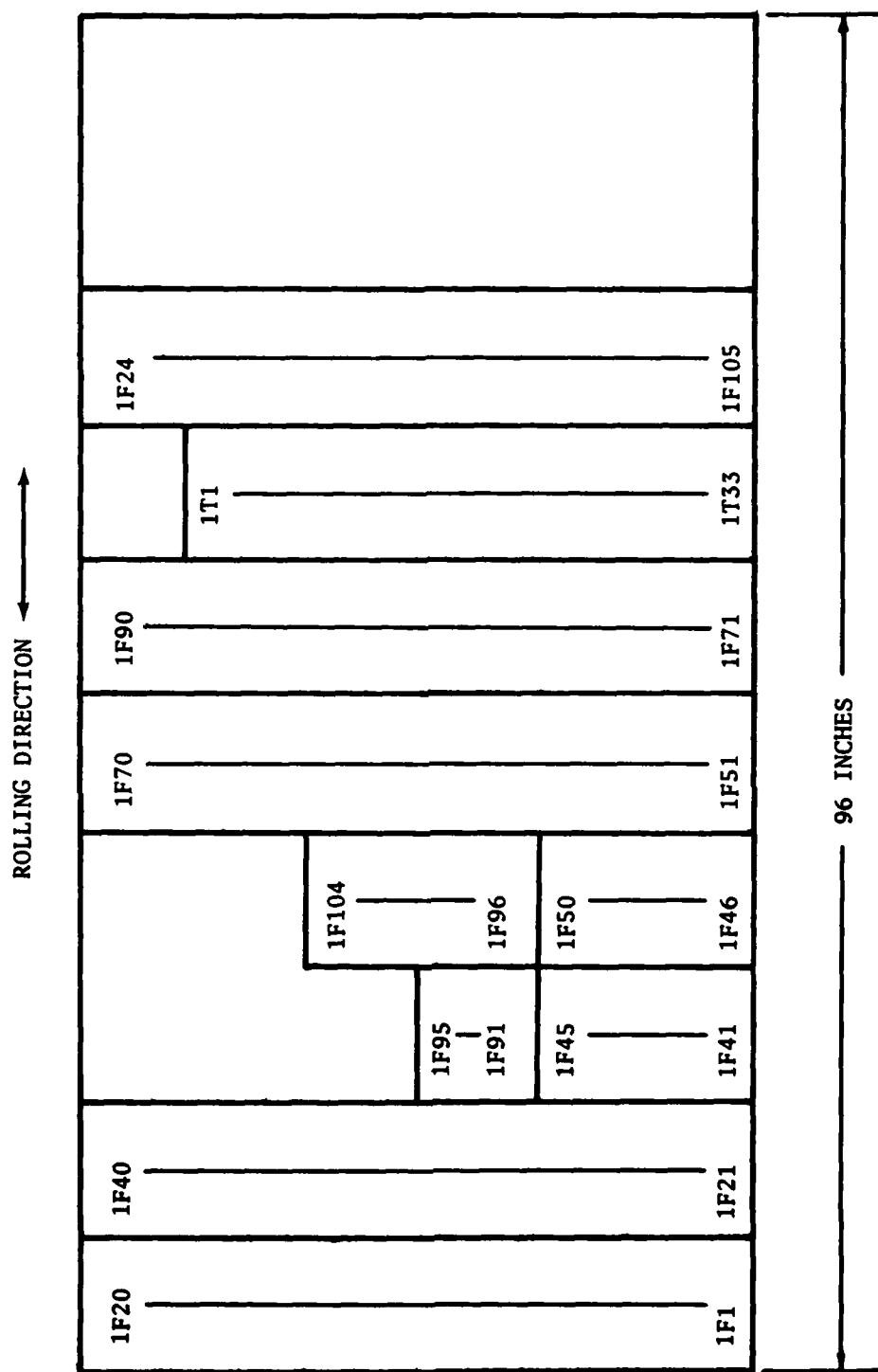


Figure 1.- Test Coupon Layout - Phase 1 Specimens

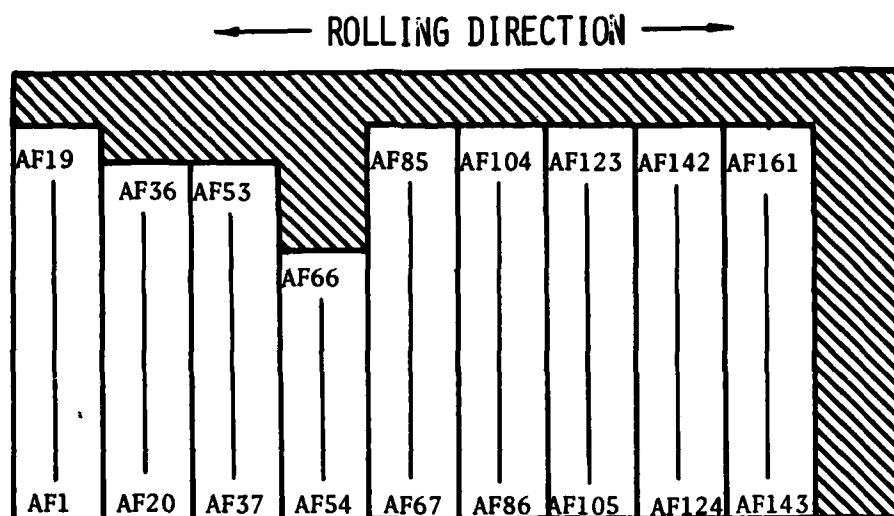


PLATE A

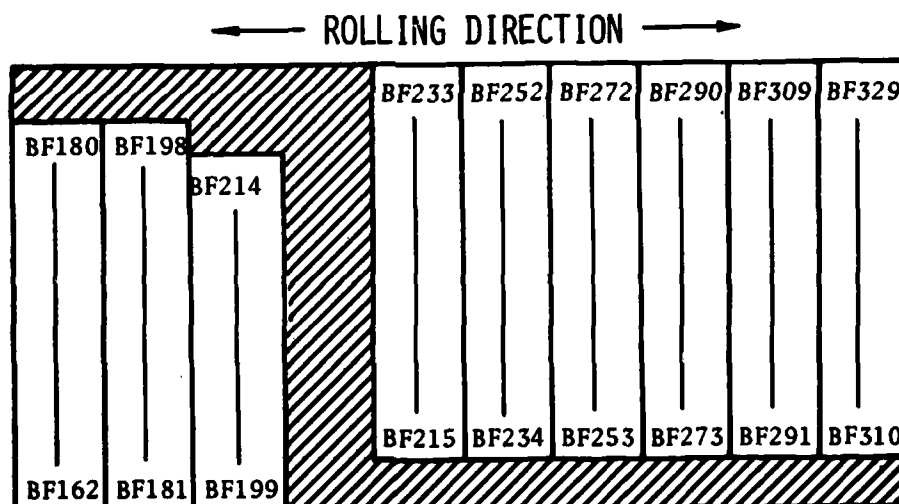


PLATE B

Figure 2 - Test Coupon Layout - Agard - Critically Loaded Hole Technology
Phase 2

LONGITUDINAL ROLLING DIRECTION



J4	J3	J2	J1
J8	J7	J6	J5
J12	J11	J10	J9
J16	J15	J14	J13
J20	J19	J18	J17
J24	J23	J22	J21
J28	J27	J26	J25
J32	J31	J30	J29
J36	J35	J34	J33
J40	J39	J38	J37
J44	J43	J42	J41

44 of 46 Pieces
#J1 - J44

LONGITUDINAL ROLLING DIRECTION



J56	J45
	J46
	J47
	J48
	J49
	J50
	J51
	J52
	J53
	J54
	J55

12 of 56 Pieces
#J45 - J56

Figure 3 - Test Coupon Layout - Phase 3 Specimens

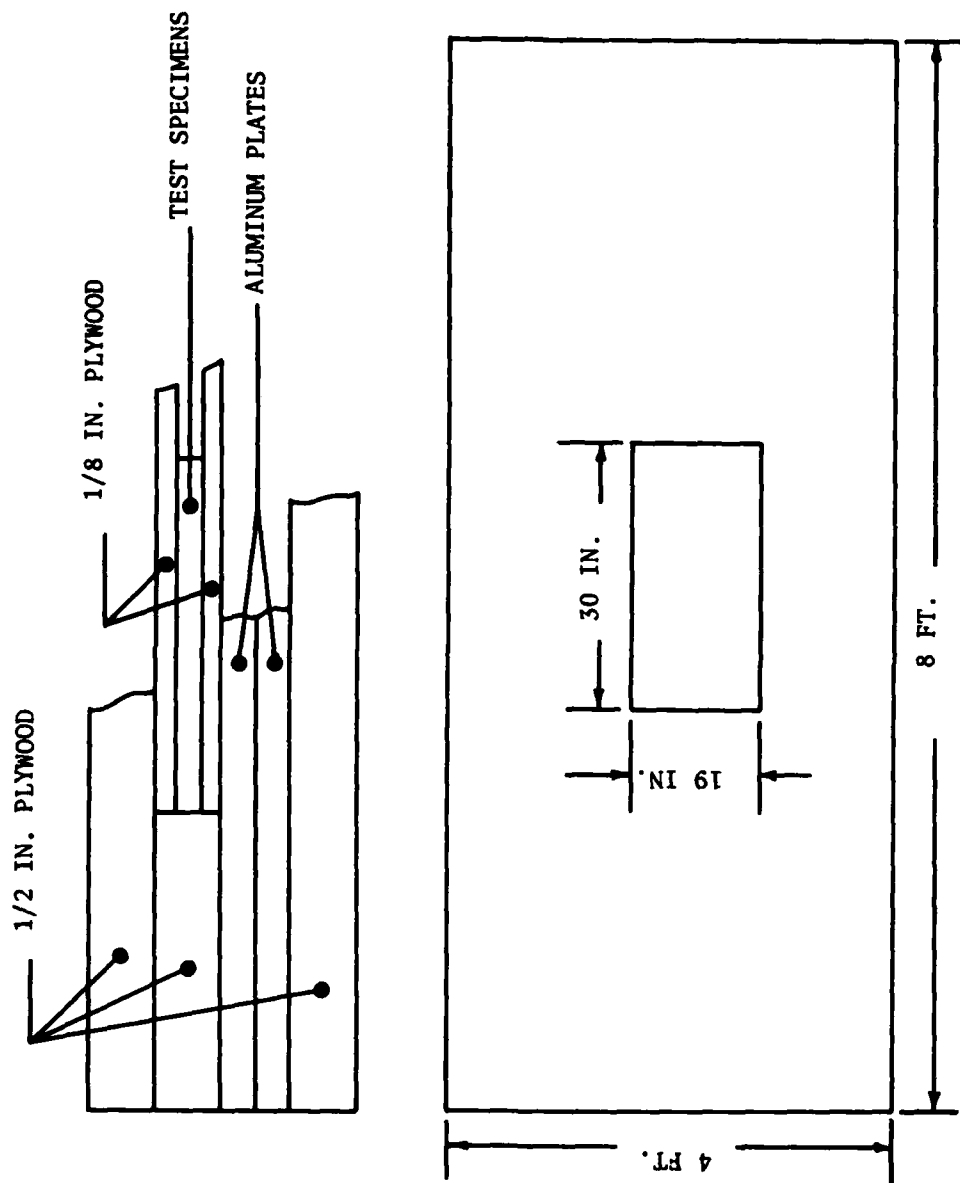


Figure 4 - Schematic of Packaging for Phases 1A and 2 Specimens and Phase 3 Material

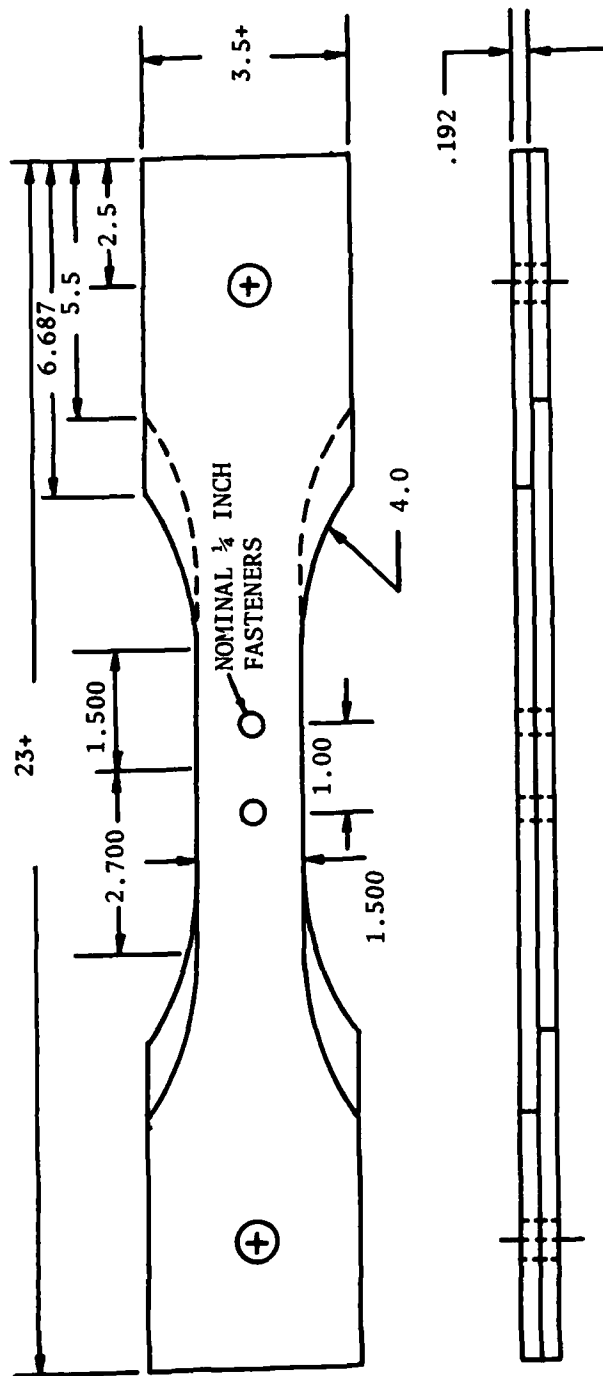


Figure 5 - Reverse Dogbone Specimen Used for Phase 3 (All Dimensions are in Inches)

TABLE 1

MECHANICAL PROPERTIES 7050-T76 ALUMINUM ALLOY

	Phases 1, 1A, 2 Lot 302-791 <u>First Shipment</u>		Phase 3 Lot 219-521 <u>Second Shipment</u>	
	<u>Max.</u>	<u>Min.</u>	<u>Max.</u>	<u>Min.</u>
Tensile Strength, ksi	85.9	85.4	83.7	83.2
Yield Strength, ksi	80.2	79.3	75.7	75.7
Elongation, % in. 2 in.	12.0	12.0	12.5	12.0
Conductivity	-	35.4	-	37.5
<u>Composition</u>	<u>Max.</u>	<u>Min.</u>	<u>Max.</u>	<u>Min.</u>
Silicon	0.12	-	0.12	-
Iron	0.15	-	0.15	-
Copper	2.6	2.0	2.6	2.0
Manganese	0.10	-	0.10	-
Magnesium	2.6	1.9	2.6	1.9
Chromium	0.04	-	0.04	-
Zinc	6.7	5.7	6.7	5.7
Titanium	0.06	-	0.06	-
Zirconium	0.15	0.08	0.15	0.08
Others, each	0.05		0.05	

TABLE 2

MACHINING CONDITIONS USED FOR FACE MILLING
THE SPECIMEN BLANKS

Cutter Diameter, in.	6
Tool Material	K68 Carbide
Feed, in./tooth	.004
Cutting Speed, ft./min.	1200
Tool Wear, max.	.006
No. of Teeth	8
Fluid	20:1 Soluble Oil

TABLE 3

MACHINING CONDITIONS USED FOR MILLING THE
SPECIMEN CONTOUR

Cutter Diameter, in.	1
Tool Material	M2 HSS
Feed, in./tooth	.0014
Cutting Speed, rpm	950
Tool Wear, Max.	.006
No. of Teeth	6
Fluid	Dry

TABLE 4

DRILLING CONDITIONS USED FOR CENTER NOTCH TEST HOLES

Phases 1 and 1A

- 1) Drill @ 660 rpm, .002 in. per revolution, 7/32 in. diameter hole
- 2) Ream @ 660 rpm, hand feed, .243 in. diameter hole
- 3) Ream @ 660 rpm, hand feed, .251 in. diameter hole

Phases 2 and 3

High Quality

Tool Material = HSS
Diameter = 6.35 mm.
Geometry:
Point Angle = 140°
Type Point = Crankshaft (split)
Helix Angle = 30°
Spindle Speed = 3000 RPM
Feed Rate = .076 M./min.
Cutting Fluid = LPS #1 (Mist)
Type Tool = Heavy Duty Stationary
Equipment

Low Quality

Tool Material = HSS
Diameter = 6.7 mm. (for Fasteners,
6.35 for open
hole)
Geometry:
Point Angle = 118°
Type Point = Crankshaft (split)
Helix Angle = 30°
Spindle Speed = 800 RPM
Feed Rate = Heavy Manual
Cutting Fluid = Dry
Type Tool = Light Duty Drill Press

TABLE 5

AGARD SMP CRITICALLY LOADED HOLE TECHNOLOGY SPECIMEN NUMBER IDENTIFICATION

PHASE 1		Belgium	France	Germany	Italy	Netherlands	Sweden	Turkey	United Kingdom	United States
Tensile		1T4	1T6	1T1	1T22	1T2	1T9	1T27	1T3	1T19
		1T10	1T11	1T8	1T23	1T13	1T12	1T29	1T5	1T24
		1T17	1T14	1T22	1T26	1T15	1T16	1T33	1T18	1T30
Fatigue (with hole)		1F17	1F48	1F6	1F35	1F31	1F9	1F4	1F20	1F23
		1F32	1F50	1F16	1F43	1F33	1F29	1F62	1F22	1F40
		1F38	1F74	1F54	1F57	1F34	1F73	1F63	1F28	1F64
		1F45	1F101	1F100	1F61	1F47	1F96	1F72	1F83	1F77
		1F81	1F109	1F103	1F65	1F67	1F97	1F75	1F113	1F85
		1F99	1F118	1F105	1F82	1F92	1F107	1F78	1F115	
		1F112	1F119	1F106	1F84	1F108	1F114		1F121	1F10
		1F123	1F120	1F124		1F117	1F116		1F122	
					1F98	1F66	1F52		1F93	1F36
			1F42	1F12						
Fatigue (w/o hole)		1F94								
Extra										
PHASE 1A										
		AF27	AF1	AF38	AF3	AF5	AF25	AF64	AF63	AF45
		AF68	AF32	AF42	AF82	AF117	AF29	AF99	AF72	BF183
Spare		AF137	AF48	AF84	BF229	BF206	AF70	BF191	AF75	BF224
		BF240	AF125	BF208	BF238	BF266	BF221	BF258	AF124	BF235
		BF244	AF139	BR296	BF295	BF282	BF259	BF262	BF162	BF242
		BF260	BF264	BF298	BF302	BF291	BF279	BF276	BF288	BF243
		BF181	AF152	AF158	AF19	AF33	BF249	AF135	BF164	AF26
		BF261	BF175	BF278	AF151	BF176	BF265	BF233	AB232	AF47

TABLE 5
(continued)

	Belgium	France	Germany	Italy	Netherlands	Sweden	Turkey	United Kingdom	United States
	AF4	AF14	AF6	AF21	AF12	AF8	AF11	AF16	AF56
	AF15	AF17	AF30	AF69	AF24	AF9	AF23	AF22	AF71
	AF40	AF31	AF39	AF74	AF46	AF18	AF28	AF55	AF77
	AF51	AF41	AF44	AF87	AF62	AF49	AF34	AF58	AF78
	AF52	AF60	AF59	AF108	AF91	AF89	AF35	AF119	AF88
	AF61	AF80	AF118	AF116	AF101	AF96	AF79	AF133	AF112
	AF102	AF93	AF126	AF155	AF107	AF97	AF94	AF156	AF113
	AF104	AF110	AF129	BF171	AF127	AF145	AF98	BF166	AF114
	AF105	AF143	AF132	BF173	AF140	AF146	AF121	BF207	AF122
	AF109	AF144	BF177	BF182	AF141	AF165	AF154	BF211	AF136
	AF128	BF172	BF217	BF219	BF163	BF167	AF159	BF215	AF138
	BF192	BF174	BF257	BF253	BF189	BF185	BF222	BF220	BF223
	BF274	BF186	BF294	BF255	BF246	BF193	BF225	BF241	BF227
	BF286	BF188	BF300	BF293	BF283	BF210	BF237	BF248	BF228
	BF320	BF194	BF314	BF304	BF284	BF239	BF263	BF280	BF281
	BF325	BF272	BD319	BF311	BF326	BF299	BF315	BF303	BF305
Spares	AF50	AF13	AF73	AF36	AF106	BF226	AF130	AF160	AF43
	AF53	AF148	AF150	AF90	BF184	BF254	AF153	BF195	AF111
	AF76	BF170	BF180	BF216	BF267	BF308	AF157	BF247	AF123
	BF292	BF245	BF218	BF230	BF268	BF310	AF161	BF269	BF179
	BF313	BF322	BF256	BF285	BF270	BF321	BF168	BF277	BF323

TABLE 6

LOW LOAD TRANSFER JOINT
REVERSE DOGBONE SPECIMENS (MIL-STD-1312, TEST 21)
IDENTIFICATION AND CHARACTERISTICS

PHASE 3

Specimen Number	Hole Quality	Fastener	Hole Diameter		Nominal Interference	
			#1*	#2*	#1	#2
J41/J48	High Quality	K-Lobe ⁽¹⁾	.2472	.2469	.0042	.0045
J20/J42	High Quality	K-Lobe	.2471	.2470	.0043	.0044
J8/J43	High Quality	K-Lobe	.2473	.2472	.0041	.0042
J2/J17	High Quality	K-Lobe	.2470	.2471	.0044	.0043
J45/J50	High Quality	K-Lobe	.2469	.2469	.0045	.0045
J25/J35	High Quality	K-Lobe	.2471	.2470	.0043	.0044
J4/J33	Low Quality	K-Lobe	.2628	.2629	.0037	.0036
J18/J12	Low Quality	K-Lobe	.2629	.2629	.0036	.0036
J47/J10	Low Quality	K-Lobe	.2623	.2626	.0042	.0039
J22/J26	Low Quality	K-Lobe	.2620	.2620	.0045	.0045
J13/J53	Low Quality	K-Lobe	.2627	.2626	.0038	.0039
J2/J16	Low Quality	K-Lobe	.2621	.2624	.0044	.0041

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J32/J51	Low Quality	VisuLok ⁽²⁾	.2631	.2633	.0016	.0018
J6/J40	Low Quality	VisuLok	.2630	.2629	.0015	.0014
J5/J55	Low Quality	VisuLok	.2628	.2626	.0013	.0011
J7/J36	Low Quality	VisuLok	.2629	.2625	.0014	.0010
J24/J30	Low Quality	VisuLok	.2630	.2623	.0015	.0008
J44/J54	Low Quality	VisuLok	.2627	.2635	.0012	.0020

* Average of four Readings:

Two in Top Sheet (Max. and Min.)

Two in Bottom Sheet (Max. and Min.)

- (1) K-Lobe Pin P/N KLB60V4M7, Ti-6Al-4V protruding head pin with AFN542-4 washer - torqued to 100 in.-lbs., set aside one-half hour and the re-torqued to 125 in.-lbs.

NOTE: Oversize K-Lobes were installed in low quality holes due to hole size requirements for the non-fatigue rated blind bolt system.

- (2) Visu-Lok/Jo-Bolt, Monogram blind bolt, P/N PLT210-8-6

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The enclosed specimens are to be used on the AGARD SMP Critically Loaded Hole Technology Program per Revision C. The number of specimens enclosed is eight fatigue samples having a 1/4 in. center notch and 21 fatigue specimens having a 1/16 in. pilot hole in the center of the gage area. These specimens are to be tested per Paragraph 2.2.1 of Revision C.

The attached packing slip gives specimen identification and specimen numbers for each portion of the program. For the 1/4 in. center notch specimens, two are identified as spare samples. For the 1/16 in. pilot hole fatigue samples, there are five spares.

All testing results and format for reporting of data should be coordinated through Bob Urzi at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. Any questions concerning the information generated should go to Mr. Urzi. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

John B. Kohls, Supervisor
Surface Technology

for

Robert B. Urzi
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Enclosed is the sealant to be used on the reverse dogbone Phase III specimens of the AGARD SMP critically loaded hole technology program. The specification and application instructions are also provided. It is important to the consistency of the program that each participant follow the directions completely for both mixing and application of the fay surface sealant.

Sincerely,

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for
Robert Urzi, Air Force Materials Lab.
Dayton, OH 45433

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A P P E N D I X B

SURFACE PREPARATION AND APPLICATION OF PR-1431-G

SURFACE PREPARATION

1. Clean surface with alkaline cleaner.
2. Clean with oil free solvent immediately prior to application (do not use reclaimed solvent).

Use a progress procedure - clean a small area and wipe dry with clean cloth before solvent evaporates. Apply solvent to cloth not directly to part.

MIXING INSTRUCTIONS FOR STANDARD CONTAINERS

1. Thoroughly stir the accelerator in its container until an even consistency is obtained.
2. Mix the accelerator into the base compound until a uniform color is obtained. Uniformity of mixture will be complete when no gross dissimilarity exists.
3. The best mixing procedure is as follows:
 - (a) Thrust a spatula into the material at the 12 o'clock position
 - (b) Draw the spatula toward the 6 o'clock position with a slow three second stroke followed by a pause
 - (c) After completion of stroke, turn container 15-20 degrees, and begin next stroke. Repeat until uniformity is achieved.

(d) Periodically run spatula around vertical inside wall of the container to remove any unmixed material. Also remove any unmixed material sticking to the spatula and return it to the material. This technique should take about 4-5 minutes.

4. It is mandatory that the temperature of the material be kept below 75°F (24C) during mixing.

Note: Proper mixing and correct proportion are extremely important for maximum result.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTION

PR-1431-G may be applied to faying surfaces by brush or roller. Before the expiration of the assembly life (20 hours), all work on the faying surface should be finished and all rivets or fasteners drawn tight.

To insure that no leak path exists through the sealant and that the faying surface is completely sealed, a small continuous bead of sealant should be squeezed out on both sides of the overlap when fasteners are drawn tight.

CURE TIME IN FAYING SURFACE

The PR-1431-G may be cured in eight days at 75°F (24C) or the cure may be accelerated by curing 24 hours at 75°F plus 24 hours at 130°F (55C).

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CRITICALLY LOADED HOLE TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAM

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INTRODUCTION

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- Phase I - Generate baseline, open hole, fatigue data in order to examine laboratory-to-laboratory variations
- Phase II - Reaffirm the exchangeability of baseline data and investigate the effect of hole quality on open hole fatigue specimens
- Phase III - Conduct independent fatigue evaluations of various fatigue-improvement fasteners and exchange data.

Participants in the program included representatives from Belgium, France, Germany, Italy, Netherlands, Sweden, United Kingdom, and the United States. All specimens for the program are to be prepared by Metcut Research Associates, Inc., from a single heat of 7050 material procured from Alcoa in the form of 7050-T76 bare sheet, 0.196-inch (5 mm) thick. Battelle's Columbus Laboratories (BCL) has been designated as the USA testing facility.

The report contained herein details the results of the Phase I effort.

GENERATION OF THE FALSTAFF SPECTRUM

In order to insure that all participants apply the same cyclic loads, each country was to test specimens under the FALSTAFF (Fighter Aircraft Loading STandard For Fatigue). The BCL fatigue load control program was generated using the computer program detailed in the definitive description of the FALSTAFF spectrum, dated March 1976. The flight-by-flight load steps were generated on the BCL CDC 6400 main computer and stored on magnetic tape. The load steps were also printed out and checked carefully against the above-noted FALSTAFF description. Zero load was defined to be at load step 7.5269 of the 32 available load steps. A second magnetic tape was generated (compatible with the fatigue laboratory's Hewlett Packard 2100 computer) converting the load steps to percentages of full-scale load. This information was also stored on the laboratory computer disc unit.

PROGRAM CONTROL

This section describes the BCL system and equipment used to apply and control FALSTAFF program loads. In general, the HP 2100 computer provides load steps to a hybrid unit which generates a constant ramp rate function for the MTS 20,000-pound (88,960 N) closed-loop electrohydraulic fatigue machine. A null pacing unit makes a constant comparison of programmed load to load cell output and signals the hybrid unit when the programmed load has been reached, at which time the ramp direction is reversed and a new load is called from the computer. This procedure continues until a preprogrammed number of flights has been reached or until the test specimen fails. A graphic presentation of the program control cycle is presented in Figure 1. A secondary computer subroutine, STATS, makes it possible to determine the flight number, total number of cycles, and percent of a pass through the spectrum completed at the moment of questioning.

Pretest Checks

Prior to initiating the fatigue test program, a spare specimen (without a hole in the test section) was instrumented with two strain gages located near the specimen edge on each face of the specimen. The output of the four strain gages made it possible to determine specimen bending and buckling (if any existed) and to confirm that dynamic loads matched static calibration loads.

Bending Check

Strain gage data were obtained at incremental load steps for loads to an equivalent of 38 ksi (262 MPa) maximum and -19 ksi (131 MPa) minimum. Data were obtained for three loading cycles. The strain-load data were submitted to a linear regression analysis with resulting R^2 statistic values ranging from 1.000 to .9994. Strain values were computed for the load equivalent of 30 ksi (206.85 MPa) gross stress. Analysis of the strain values indicated that the maximum error due to specimen bending was 1.45 percent. Analysis of the compressive load data indicated that no buckling could be detected.

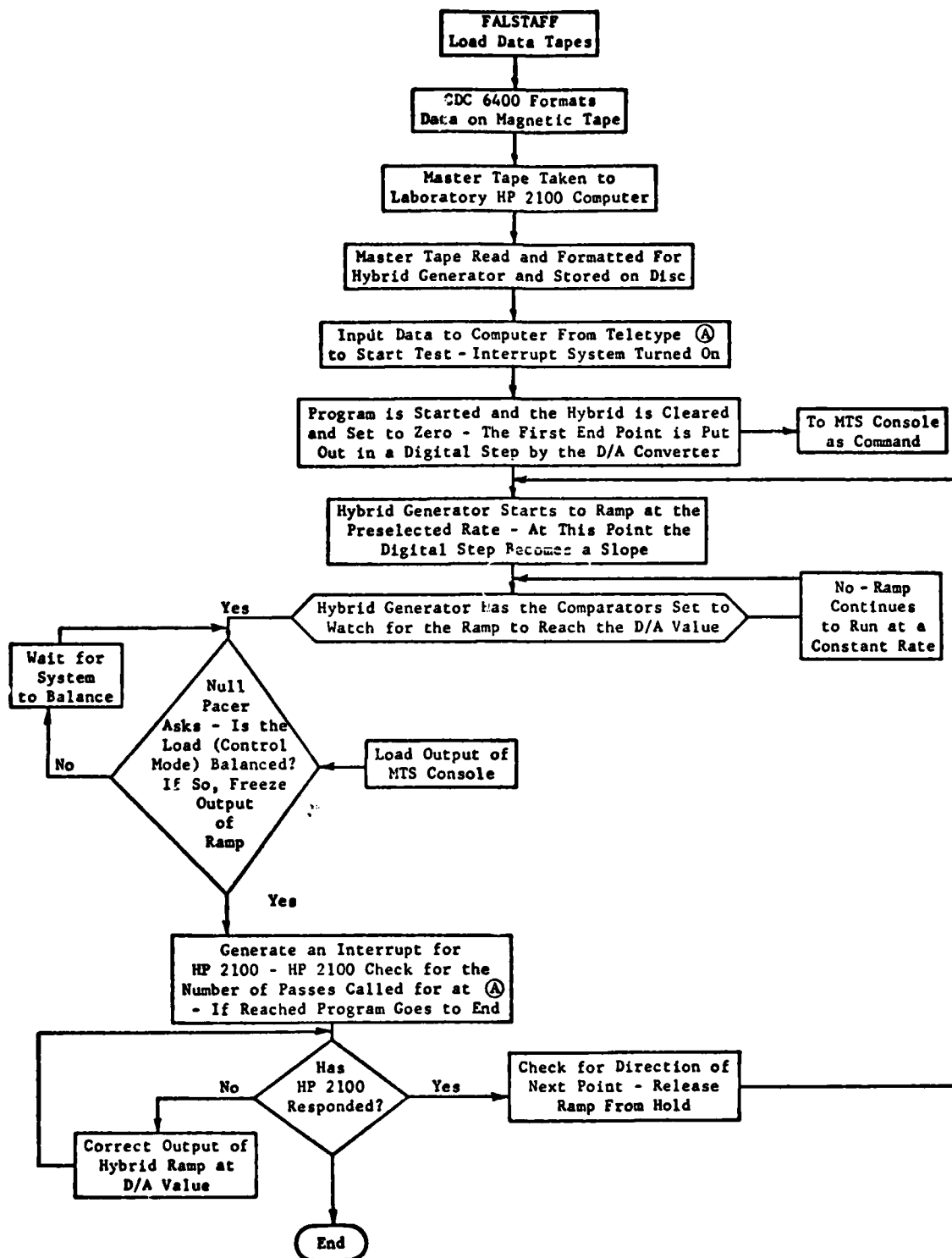


FIGURE 1. PROGRAM CONTROL CYCLE

Static-Dynamic Loads Check

Comparison of strain gage output and calibrated load cell output indicated a maximum axial load error of 1.33 percent at 38 ksi (262 MPa) static load. Application of cyclic loads at the same level provided the same strain outputs.

FALSTAFF Loads Check

The specimen was subjected to FALSTAFF loads cycling and ramp rate and MTS unit controls were adjusted so that fatigue machine load output matched the command signal (reference Figure 2). The controls were not changed during the rest of the test program and the mean cyclic rate was determined to be 10.5 Hz.

TEST RESULTS

Fatigue Test Program

Fatigue test specimens, as supplied by Metcut Research Associates, Inc., were selected at random. The initial specimen 1F37 was cycled at a reference (gross) stress level of FALSTAFF spectrum (Step 32) of 31 ksi (213.7 MPa) and testing was discontinued with no failure after 11,285 flights. Specimen 1F40 was cycled at a reference stress of 34 ksi (234.4 MPa) and failed at 9728 flights. The latter reference stress was then approved by the Project Monitor for use on the remaining five fatigue specimens. A summary of the fatigue test data is presented in Table I and detailed data sheets are included in Appendix I. Examples of typical failure surfaces are shown in Figures 3 and 4. In all cases, fatigue failures initiated at the open hole near the sheet midthickness.

Tensile Test Program

Tensile coupons provided by Metcut were tested in the Mechanical Test Laboratory on August 4, 1977. Tests were conducted in a Baldwin 60,000-pound- (266,890 N) capacity Universal test machine. Room temperature was 69 degrees F (21°C) and the relative humidity was 60 percent. The loading rate was controlled at 100 ksi/min (689.5 MPa/min). The results of the tensile tests are presented in Table II.

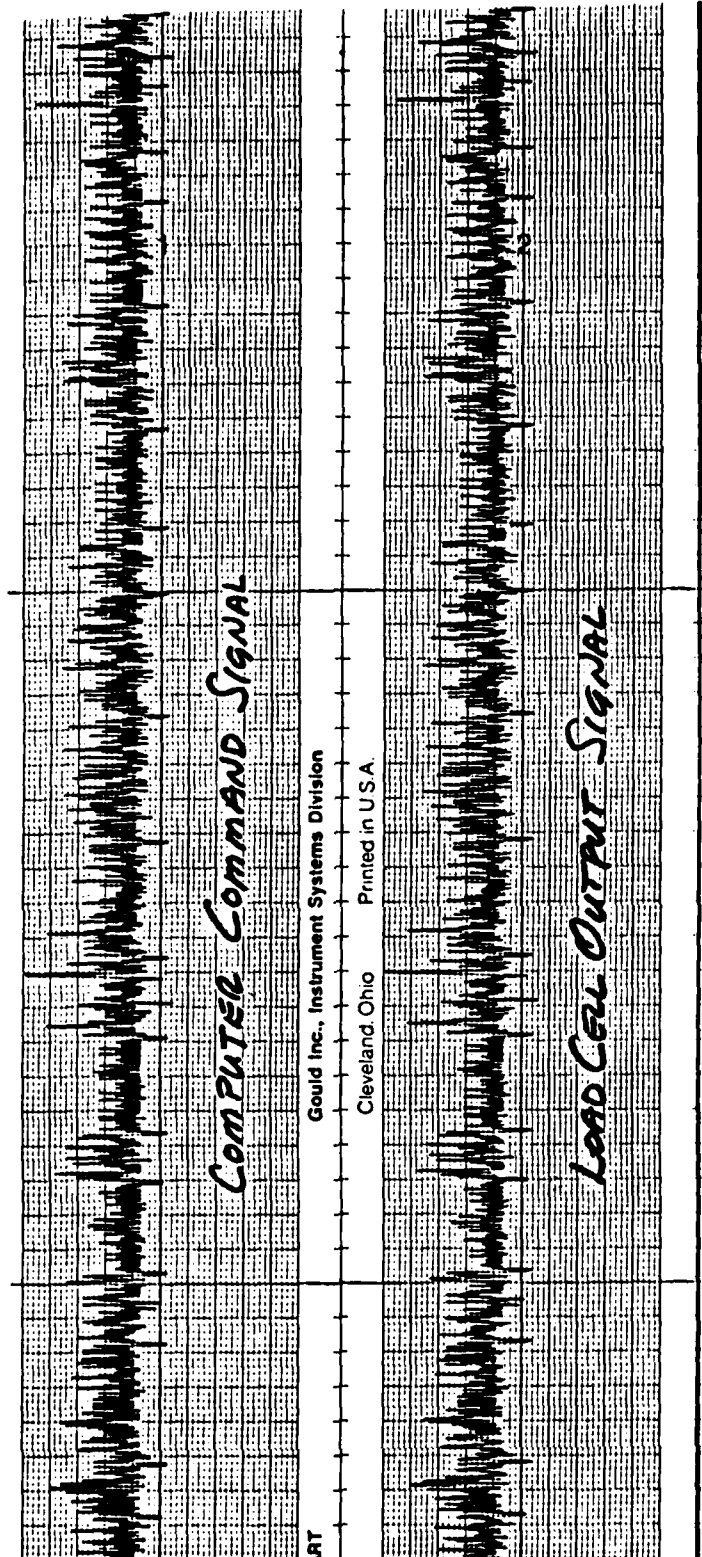


FIGURE 2. COMPUTER COMMAND AND LOAD CELL SIGNAL COMPARISON
FOR A PORTION OF THE TEST ON SPECIMEN 1F40

TABLE I. FATIGUE TEST RESULTS*

Specimen Number	Flights to Initial Crack	Initial Crack Size, inch (mm)	Flights to Failure
1F40	9128	0.05 (1.27)	9728
1F23	--	--	9373
1F64	--	--	8824
1F77	9297	0.03 (0.76)	9572
1F85	9835	0.02 (0.51)	10929
1F10	--	--	8364
Mean Life			9465
Standard Deviation			878

* FALSTAFF reference stress - 34 ksi (234.4 MPa).

TABLE II. TENSILE TEST RESULTS

Specimen Number	Yield Strength, ksi (MPa)	Ultimate Strength, ksi (MPa)	Elongation, percent (2-inch gage)
1T24	80.79 (557.0)	84.40 (581.9)	11.5
1T30	80.60 (555.7)	84.34 (581.5)	11.5
1T19	80.22 (553.1)	84.15 (580.2)	11.0
Average	80.54 (555.3)	84.30 (581.2)	11.33
Standard Deviation	.29	.13	.29



FIGURE 3. FAILURE SURFACE OF SPECIMEN 1F64

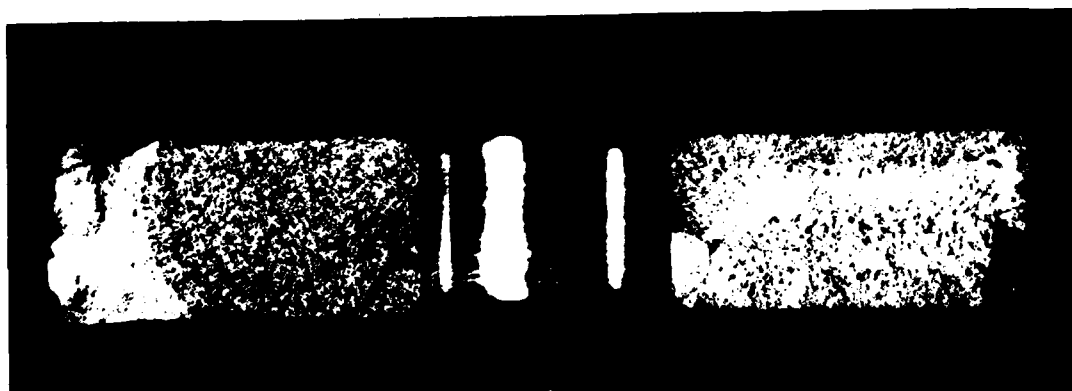


FIGURE 4. FAILURE SURFACE OF SPECIMEN 1F10

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

Because of the care taken to insure that the FALSTAFF spectrum had been carefully reproduced and continuous checks made during the set-up procedure, it is believed that the fatigue data are truly representative of the lives that can be expected for this test condition. This is confirmed by the low standard deviation for the data (well within normally obtained values). It is expected that the Phase II results will yield results of similar quality. As a result of this phase, all participating nations should be encouraged to continue with Phase II of the program.

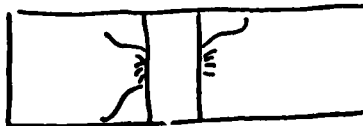
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DATA SHEET

AIR FORCE/AFML - METCUT RESEARCH SPONSORED
AGARD CRITICALLY LOADED HOLE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM

TESTS CONDUCTED BY: BATTTELLE'S COLUMBUS LABORATORIES
STRUCTURAL MATERIALS AND TRIBOLOGY SECTION
STRUCTURAL FATIGUE LABORATORY

1. Date of Test: Start 7/12/77 End 7-14-77
2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: MTS 10KIP
3. Test Temperature: 68 °F (20 ~~234.4~~ °C)
4. Relative Humidity: 56 (%)
5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
34 ksi (234.4 MPa)
6. Specimen Identification: 1-F-40
7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: NONE %
8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 1.45 %
9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz
10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: 9128 Flights
11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: .05 (P₀₄₆) in. (1.27 mm)
12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 9728 Flights
13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site: IN HOLE AT MID THICKNESS
- BOTH SIDES



Sketch

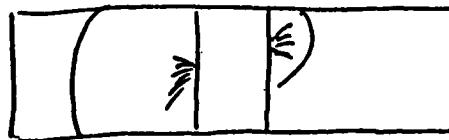
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STRUCTURAL MATERIALS AND TRIBOLOGY SECTION
STRUCTURAL FATIGUE LABORATORY

1. Date of Test: Start 7-14-77 End 7/16/77
2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: M.T.S. 20 KIP
3. Test Temperature: 68 °F (20 °C)
4. Relative Humidity: 54 (%)
5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
34 ksi (234.4 MPa)
6. Specimen Identification: 1 F 23
7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: NONE %
8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 1.45 %
9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz
10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: — Flights
11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: — in. (— mm)
12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 9373 Flights
13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site: IN HOLE NEAR MID THICKNESS



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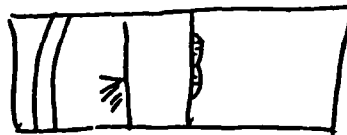
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TESTS CONDUCTED BY: BATTELLE'S COLUMBUS LABORATORIES
STRUCTURAL MATERIALS AND TRIBOLOGY SECTION
STRUCTURAL FATIGUE LABORATORY

1. Date of Test: Start 7/18/76 End 7/20/76
2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: MTS 20KIP
3. Test Temperature: 68 °F (20 °C)
4. Relative Humidity: 55 (%)
5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
34 ksi (234.4 MPa)
6. Specimen Identification: IF64
7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: NONE %
8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 1.45 %
9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz
10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: — Flights
11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: — in. (— mm)
12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 8824 Flights
13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site: IN HOLE NEAR MID THICKNESS



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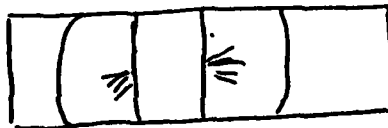
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STRUCTURAL MATERIALS AND TRIBOLOGY SECTION
STRUCTURAL FATIGUE LABORATORY

1. Date of Test: Start 7/10/77 End 7/22/77
2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: M.T.S. 20 KIP
3. Test Temperature: 68° °F (20 °C)
4. Relative Humidity: 55 (%)
5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
34 ksi (234.4 MPa)
6. Specimen Identification: 1 F 77
7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: NONE %
8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 1.45 %
9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz
10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: 9297 Flights
11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: 0.03 in. (0.76 mm)
12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 9572 Flights
13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site: IN HOLE NEAR MID THICKNESS



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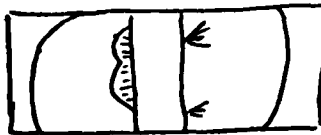
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STRUCTURAL FATIGUE LABORATORY

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2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: M.T.S. 20 K1/2
3. Test Temperature: 68 °F (20 °C)
4. Relative Humidity: 55 (%)
5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
34 ksi (234.4 MPa)
6. Specimen Identification: 1F85
7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: NONE %
8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 1.45 %
9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz
10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: 9835 Flights
11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: 0.20 in. (0.51 mm)
12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 10929 Flights
13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site: IN HOLE NEAR MIDTHICKNESS



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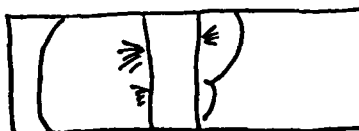
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STRUCTURAL FATIGUE LABORATORY

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2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: M.T.S. 20 KIP
3. Test Temperature: 68 °F (20 °C)
4. Relative Humidity: 56 (%)
5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
34 ksi (234.4 MPa)
6. Specimen Identification: 1-F-10
7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: NONE %
8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 1.45 %
9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz
10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: Flights
11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: in. (mm)
12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 8,364 Flights
13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site: IN HOLE NEAR MID THICKNESS



Sketch

14. Description of Abnormalities:
15. Description of Buckling Restraint (If Used): NONE

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CRITICALLY LOADED HOLE TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAM

PHASE II REPORT FOR PERIOD APRIL 1978 - AUGUST 1978

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INTRODUCTION

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The report contained herein details the results of the Phase II effort.

GENERATION OF THE FALSTAFF SPECTRUM

In order to insure that all participants apply the same cyclic loads, each country was to test specimens under the FALSTAFF (Fighter Aircraft Loading STandard For Fatigue). The BCL fatigue load control program was generated using the computer program detailed in the definitive description of the FALSTAFF spectrum, dated March 1976. The details of the BCL load control program generation were presented in the Phase I report dated February 1978.

PROGRAM CONTROL

This section describes the BCL system and equipment used to apply and control FALSTAFF program loads. In general, the HP 2100 computer provides load steps to a hybrid unit which generates a constant ramp rate function for the MTS 20,000-pound (88,960 N) closed-loop electrohydraulic fatigue machine. A null pacing unit makes a constant comparison of programmed load-to-load cell output and signals the hybrid unit when the programmed load has been reached, at which time the ramp direction is reversed and a new load is called from the computer. This procedure continues until a preprogrammed number of flights has been reached or until the test specimen fails. A graphic presentation of the program control cycle is presented in Figure 1. A secondary computer subroutine, STATS, makes it possible to determine the flight number, total number of cycles, and percent of a pass through the spectrum completed at the moment of questioning.

Pretest Checks

Prior to initiating the fatigue test program, pretest checks were made (as in Phase I) using the Phase I spare specimen (without a hole in the test section) instrumented with two strain gages located near the specimen edge on each face of the specimen. The output of the four strain gages made it possible to determine specimen bending and buckling (if any existed) and to confirm that dynamic loads matched static calibration loads.

Bending Check

Strain gage data were obtained at incremental load steps for loads to an equivalent of 38 ksi (262 MPa) maximum and -19 ksi (131 MPa) minimum. Data were obtained for three loading cycles. The strain-load data were submitted to a linear regression analysis with resulting R^2 statistic values ranging from 1.000 to .9994. Strain values were computed for the load equivalent of 30 ksi (206.85 MPa) gross stress. Analysis of the strain values indicated that the maximum error due to specimen bending was 2.53 percent. Analysis of the compressive load data indicated that no buckling could be detected.

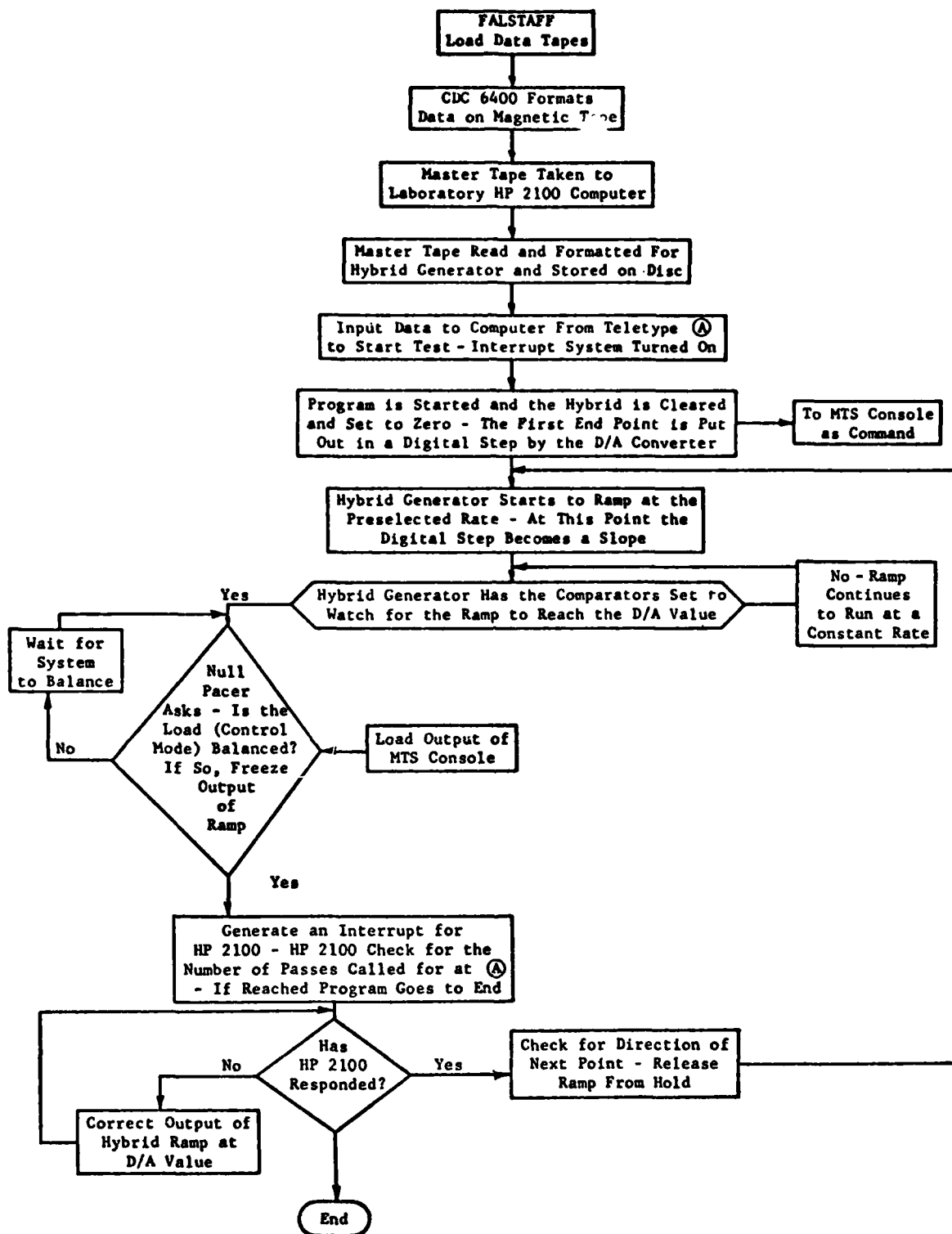


FIGURE 1. PROGRAM CONTROL CYCLE

Static-Dynamic Loads Check

Comparison of strain gage output and calibrated load cell output indicated a maximum axial load error of 2.30 percent at 38 ksi (262 MPa) static load. Application of cyclic loads at the same level provided the same strain outputs at frequencies of 1, 5, and 10 Hz.

FALSTAFF Loads Check

The specimen was subjected to FALSTAFF loads cycling and ramp rate and MTS unit controls were adjusted so that fatigue machine load output matched the command signal (reference Figure 2). In addition, records were made of computer command signal versus dummy specimen strain level (reference Figure 3) and command signal versus load cell output over expanded time scale (reference Figure 4). Note that Figure 4 shows the time lag (0.0008 to 0.0020 seconds) required to extract the next load command from the computer. The controls were not changed during the rest of the test program and the mean cyclic rate was determined to be 10.5 Hz.

TEST RESULTS

Fatigue Test Program

Fatigue test specimens, as supplied by Metcut Research Associates, Inc., were selected at random from all three specimen types (Phase I Report, high and low quality holes). All specimens were cycled at a reference stress of 34 ksi (234.4 MPa). A summary of the fatigue test data is presented in Table I and detailed data sheets are included in Appendix I. Macrographs of failure surfaces are shown in Appendix II.

NOTE: The data for the High Quality Hole Specimen BF-179, which failed at 15,176 flights, is not tabulated because it was determined that the programmed reference load was set approximately 20 percent of the required level of 34 ksi (234.4 MPa).

TABLE I. FATIGUE TEST RESULTS*

Specimen Number	Flights to Failure
<u>PHASE I REPEAT</u>	
AF-26	8.172
BF-242	6,680
BF-235	6,359
BF-224	7,729
AF-45	6,831
AF-47	6,831
Mean Life	7,100
Standard Deviation	695
<u>HIGH-QUALITY HOLES</u>	
BF-227	8,129
AF-122	8,392
BF-281	9,572
AF-78	5,231
AF-136	10,324
Mean Life	8,330
Standard Deviation	1,947
<u>LOW-QUALITY HOLES</u>	
BF-305	9,329
BF-323	5,372
BF-228	6,631
AF-123	6,224
AF-88	5,372
AF-43	7,431
AF-138	6,831
AF-114	4,972
BF-223	6,877
AF-112	5,431
Mean Life	6,447
Standard Deviation	1,300

* FALSTAFF reference stress - 34 ksi (234.4 MPa)

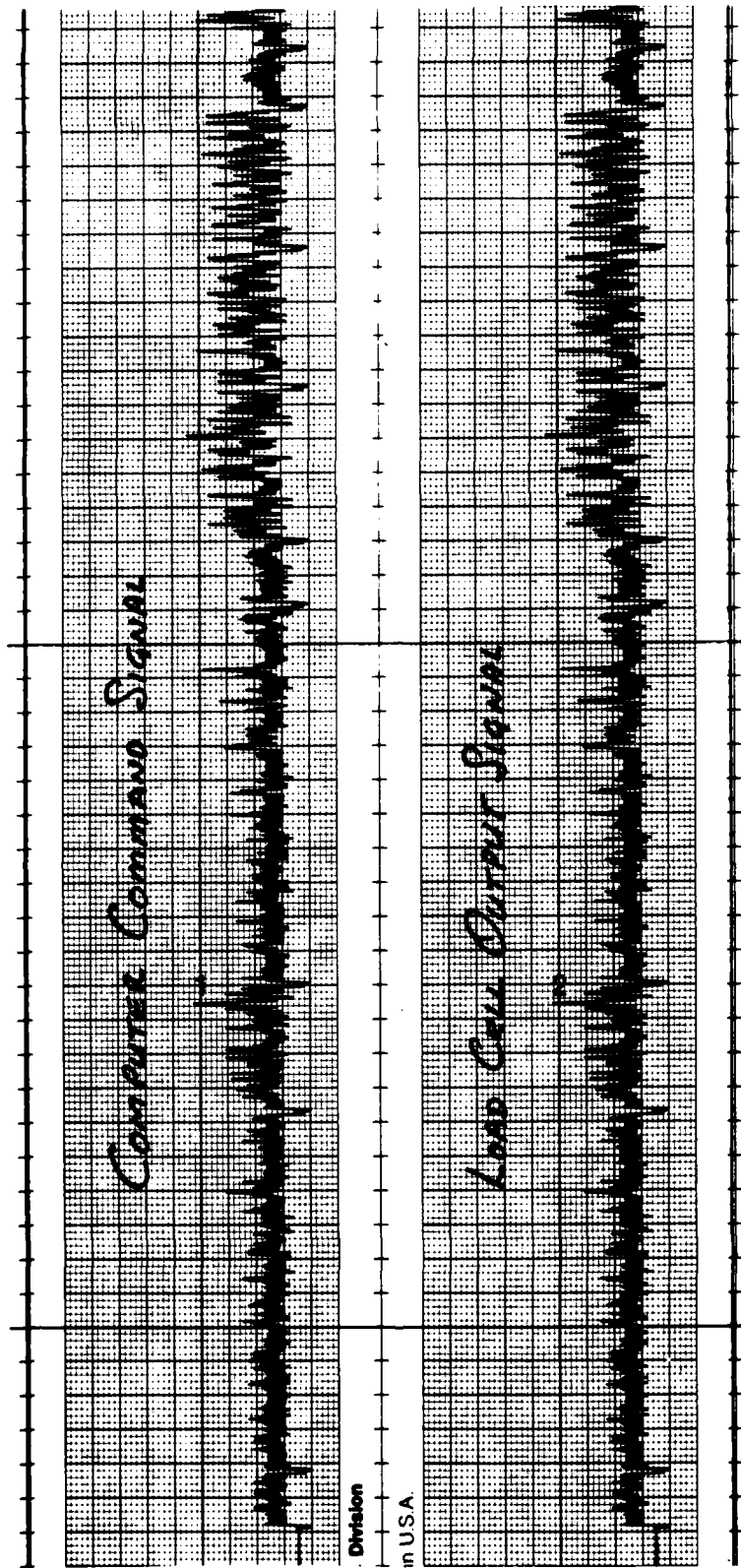


FIGURE 2. COMPUTER COMMAND AND LOAD CELL SIGNAL COMPARISON
FOR A PORTION OF THE TEST ON SPECIMEN AF-26

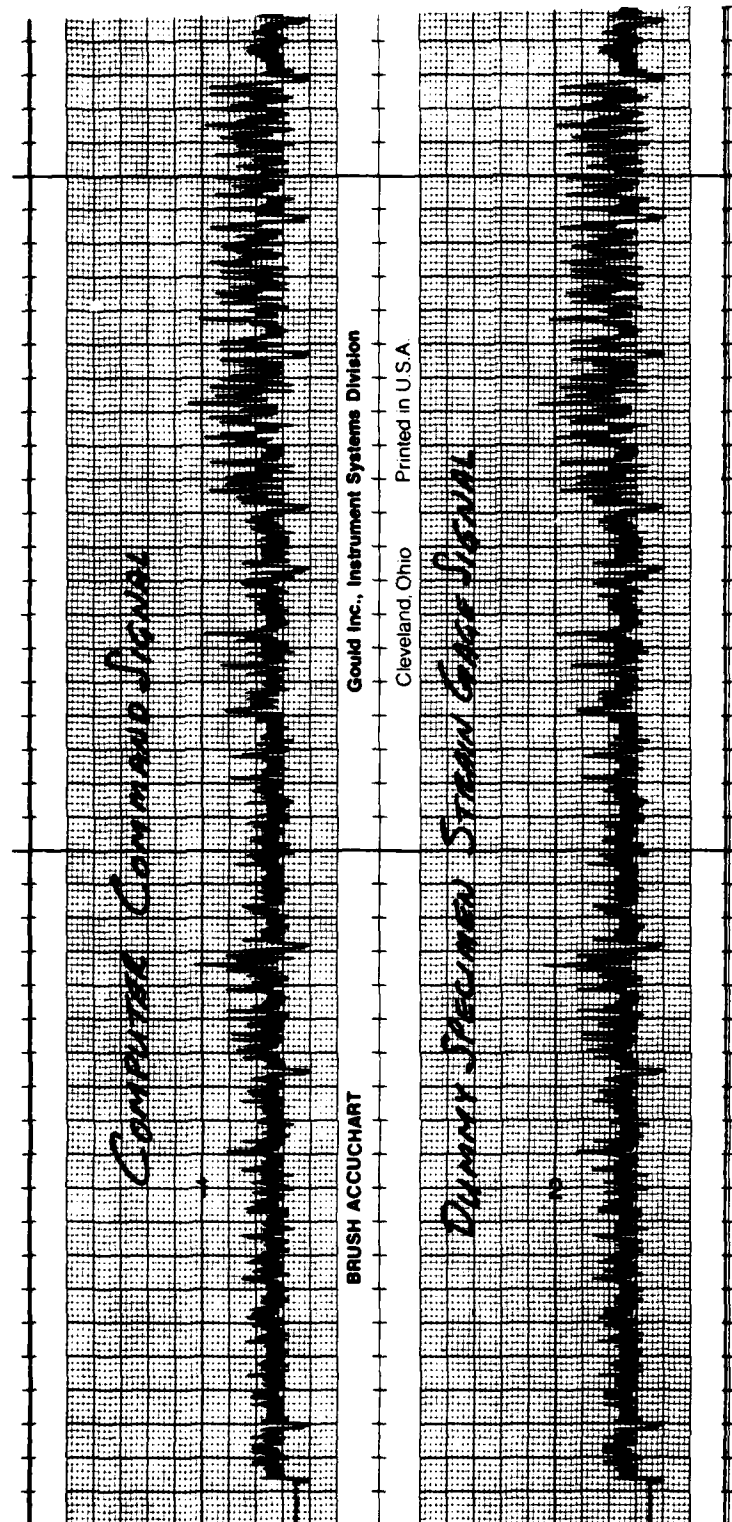


FIGURE 3. COMPUTER COMMAND AND DUMMY SPECIMEN STRAIN GAGE SIGNAL FOR A PORTION OF THE FALSTAFF SPECTRUM

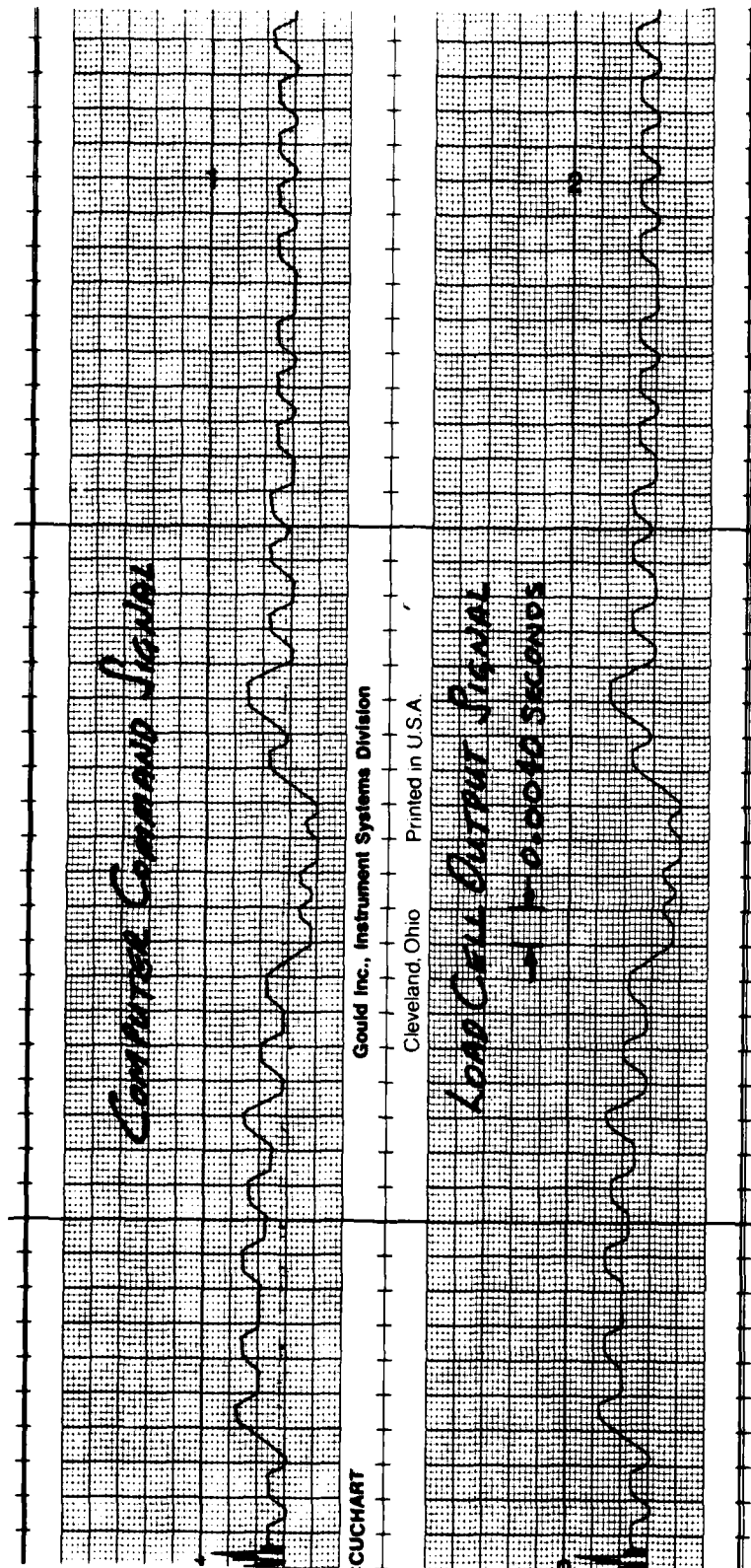


FIGURE 4. EXPANDED TIME SCALE COMPARISON OF COMPUTER COMMAND AND LOAD CELL OUTPUT SIGNALS FOR A PORTION OF THE FALSTAFF SPECTRUM

APPENDIX I

DETAILED DATA SHEETS

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STRUCTURAL FATIGUE LABORATORY

1. Date of Test: Start 6-8-78 End 6-9-78

2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: MTS 20KIP

3. Test Temperature: 68 °F (20 °C)

4. Relative Humidity: 56 (%)

5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
34 ksi (234.4 MPa)

6. Specimen Identification: AF-26

7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: NONE %

8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 2.53 %

9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz

10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: ~~8172~~ N.A. Flights

11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: N.A. in. (mm)

12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 8172 Flights

13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site:

Sketch

15. Description of Buckling Restraint (If Used): _____

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STRUCTURAL MATERIALS AND TRIBOLOGY SECTION
STRUCTURAL FATIGUE LABORATORY

1. Date of Test: Start 6-13-78 End 6-14-78
2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: MTS 20K11
3. Test Temperature: 65 °F (20 °C)
4. Relative Humidity: 55 (%)
5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
54 ksi (254.4 MPa)
6. Specimen Identification: BF 305
7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: 1.0E-2 %
8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 2.53 %
9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz
10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: 114 Flights
11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: 1/16 in. (mm)
12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 7327 Flights
13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site:

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Sketch

14. Description of Abnormalities: NONE
15. Description of Buckling Restraint (If Used):

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TESTS CONDUCTED BY: BATTELLE'S COLUMBUS LABORATORIES
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STRUCTURAL FATIGUE LABORATORY

1. Date of Test: Start 5-14-78 End 5-15-78
2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: VTS 20 KIP
3. Test Temperature: 68 °F (°C)
4. Relative Humidity: 55 (%)
5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
54 ksi (334.4 MPa)
6. Specimen Identification: BF 327
7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: 11000 %
8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 153 %
9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 100 Hz
10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: ND Flights
11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: ND in. (mm)
12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 8184 Flights
13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site:

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Sketch

14. Description of Abnormalities: NONE
15. Description of Buckling Restraint (If Used):

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TESTS CONDUCTED BY: BATTELLE'S COLUMBUS LABORATORIES
STRUCTURAL MATERIALS AND TRIBOLOGY SECTION
STRUCTURAL FATIGUE LABORATORY

1. Date of Test: Start 6-15-78 End 6-16-78
2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: MTS 802.11
3. Test Temperature: 68 °F (20 °C)
4. Relative Humidity: 55 (%)
5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
36 ksi (234.4 MPa)
6. Specimen Identification: BF-323
7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: none %
8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 2.53 %
9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz
10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: 1/1 Flights
11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: 1/16 in. (mm)
12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 5512 Flights
13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site:

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Sketch

14. Description of Abnormalities: none
15. Description of Buckling Restraint (If Used):

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TESTS CONDUCTED BY: BATTELLE'S COLUMBUS LABORATORIES
STRUCTURAL MATERIALS AND TRIBOLOGY SECTION
STRUCTURAL FATIGUE LABORATORY

1. Date of Test: Start 5-16-78 End 6-17-78
2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: MTS 20 KIP
3. Test Temperature: 68 °F (20 °C)
4. Relative Humidity: 55 (%)
5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
34 ksi (234.4 MPa)
6. Specimen Identification: DF-68
7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: None %
8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 253 %
9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz
10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: 4370 Flights
11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: 1/A in. (mm)
12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 5372 Flights
13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site:

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14. Description of Abnormalities: None
15. Description of Buckling Restraint (If Used):

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TESTS CONDUCTED BY: BATTELLE'S COLUMBUS LABORATORIES
STRUCTURAL MATERIALS AND TRIBOLOGY SECTION
STRUCTURAL FATIGUE LABORATORY

1. Date of Test: Start 6-19-78 End 6-26-78
2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: MTS 801.1P
3. Test Temperature: 68 °F (20 °C)
4. Relative Humidity: 55 (%)
5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
54 ksi (334.4 MPa)
6. Specimen Identification: AF-122
7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: 16120 %
8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 753 %
9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz
10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: 1114 Flights
11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: 1/16 in. (mm)
12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 5392 Flights
13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site:

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Sketch

14. Description of Abnormalities: None
15. Description of Buckling Restraint (If Used):

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STRUCTURAL MATERIALS AND TRIBOLOGY SECTION
STRUCTURAL FATIGUE LABORATORY**

1. Date of Test: Start 6-21-78 End 6-22-78
2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: MTS-20KIP
3. Test Temperature: 68 °F (20 °C)
4. Relative Humidity: 55 (%)
5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
34 ksi (234.4 MPa)
6. Specimen Identification: BF-228
7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: NONE %
8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 2.53 %
9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz
10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: NA Flights
11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: NA in. (_____ mm)
12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 6631 Flights
13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site:

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Sketch

14. Description of Abnormalities: NONE
15. Description of Buckling Restraint (If Used): _____

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TESTS CONDUCTED BY: BATTELLE'S COLUMBUS LABORATORIES
STRUCTURAL MATERIALS AND TRIBOLOGY SECTION
STRUCTURAL FATIGUE LABORATORY

1. Date of Test: Start 6-22-78 End 6-23-78
2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: MTS 80811
3. Test Temperature: 68 °F (20 °C)
4. Relative Humidity: 55 (%)
5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
54 ksi (374.4 MPa)
6. Specimen Identification: DF-123
7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: none %
8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 2.53 %
9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz
10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: 111 Flights
11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: 1/16 in. (mm)
12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 6254 Flights
13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site:

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Sketch

14. Description of Abnormalities: none
15. Description of Buckling Restraint (If Used):

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STRUCTURAL MATERIALS AND TRIBOLOGY SECTION
STRUCTURAL FATIGUE LABORATORY

1. Date of Test: Start 6-26-78 End 6-27-78
2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: MTS 3021P
3. Test Temperature: 68 °F (20 °C)
4. Relative Humidity: 55 (%)
5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
25.4 ksi (174.4 MPa)
6. Specimen Identification: BF-242
7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: None %
8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 2.53 %
9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz
10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: 117 Flights
11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: 1/16 in. (mm)
12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 2080 Flights
13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site:

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Sketch

14. Description of Abnormalities: None
15. Description of Buckling Restraint (If Used):

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1. Date of Test: Start 6-27-78 End 6-28-78

2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: 20 KIP MTS

3. Test Temperature: 68 °F (20 °C)

4. Relative Humidity: 55 (%)

5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
34 ksi (234.4 MPa)

6. Specimen Identification: AF-43

7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: 0 %

8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 2.53 %

9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz

10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: NA Flights

11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: N/A in. (mm)

12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 7431 Flights

13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site:

Sketch

14. Description of Abnormalities: NONE

15. Description of Buckling Restraint (If Used): _____

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STRUCTURAL MATERIALS AND TRIBOLOGY SECTION
STRUCTURAL FATIGUE LABORATORY

1. Date of Test: Start 5-28-78 End 6-29-78
2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: MTS 80 KIP
3. Test Temperature: 68 °F (20 °C)
4. Relative Humidity: 55 (%)
5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
54 ksi (374.4 MPa)
6. Specimen Identification: AF-342
7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: 4420 %
8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 853 %
9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz
10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: 111 Flights
11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: 1/4 in. (mm)
12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 6650 Flights
13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site:

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Sketch

14. Description of Abnormalities: None
15. Description of Buckling Restraint (If Used):

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TESTS CONDUCTED BY: BATTELLE'S COLUMBUS LABORATORIES
STRUCTURAL MATERIALS AND TRIBOLOGY SECTION
STRUCTURAL FATIGUE LABORATORY

1. Date of Test: Start 6-30-78 End 7-1-78
2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: MTS 810
3. Test Temperature: 65 °F (18 °C)
4. Relative Humidity: 55 (%)
5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
34 ksi (234.4 MPa)
6. Specimen Identification: AF-138
7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: None %
8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 253 %
9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz
10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: 11 Flights
11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: 1/16 in. (mm)
12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 6531 Flights
13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site:

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Sketch

14. Description of Abnormalities: None
15. Description of Buckling Restraint (If Used):

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1. Date of Test: Start 7-1-78 End 7-2-78

2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: MTS 80811

3. Test Temperature: 65 °F (20 °C)

4. Relative Humidity: 55 (%)

5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
54 ksi (234.4 MPa)

6. Specimen Identification: 17F-7E

7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: None %

8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 253 %

9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz

10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: 1/1 Flights

11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: 1/16 in. (mm)

12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 5281 Flights

13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site:

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14. Description of Abnormalities: None

15. Description of Buckling Restraint (If Used): _____

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STRUCTURAL FATIGUE LABORATORY

1. Date of Test: Start 7-2-78 End 7-3-78
2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: MTS 810
3. Test Temperature: 68 °F (20 °C)
4. Relative Humidity: 55 (%)
5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
54 ksi (374.4 MPa)
6. Specimen Identification: AF-114
7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: 11000 %
8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 253 %
9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 15.5 Hz
10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: 100 Flights
11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: .14 in. (mm)
12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 4972 Flights
13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site:

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Sketch

14. Description of Abnormalities: None
15. Description of Buckling Restraint (If Used):

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STRUCTURAL FATIGUE LABORATORY**

1. Date of Test: Start 7-3-78 End 7-4-78
2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: MTS-3021P
3. Test Temperature: 68 OF (20 °C)
4. Relative Humidity: 55 (%)
5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
34 ksi (234.4 MPa)
6. Specimen Identification: DF-186
7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: 1600 %
8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 353 %
9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz
10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: 1117 Flights
11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: 1/16 in. (mm)
12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 10324 Flights
13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site:

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14. Description of Abnormalities: None
15. Description of Buckling Restraint (If Used): _____

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STRUCTURAL FATIGUE LABORATORY

1. Date of Test: Start 7-5-78 End 7-6-78
2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: MTS 800111
3. Test Temperature: 68 °F (20 °C)
4. Relative Humidity: 55 (%)
5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
54 ksi (234.4 MPa)
6. Specimen Identification: RF-223
7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: None %
8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 2.53 %
9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz
10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: N/A Flights
11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: 1/16 in. (mm)
12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 3877 Flights
13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site:

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14. Description of Abnormalities: None
15. Description of Buckling Restraint (If Used):

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STRUCTURAL FATIGUE LABORATORY

1. Date of Test: Start 7-7-78 End 7-8-78
2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: MTS 8011P
3. Test Temperature: 68 °F (20 °C)
4. Relative Humidity: 55 (%)
5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
34 ksi (234 MPa)
6. Specimen Identification: RF 235
7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: 16.11 %
8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 2.53 %
9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz
10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: 110 Flights
11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: 1/16 in. (1.5 mm)
12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 6659 Flights
13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site: _____

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14. Description of Abnormalities: crack
15. Description of Buckling Restraint (If Used): _____

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TESTS CONDUCTED BY: BATTELLE'S COLUMBUS LABORATORIES
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STRUCTURAL FATIGUE LABORATORY

1. Date of Test: Start 7-10-78 End 7-11-78
2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: MTS-30 KIP
3. Test Temperature: 68 °F or (20 °C)
4. Relative Humidity: 55 (%)
5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
34 ksi (234.4 MPa)
6. Specimen Identification: BF-224
7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: none %
8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 253 %
9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz
10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: 111 Flights
11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: 1/16 in. (mm)
12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 7751 Flights
13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site:

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Sketch

14. Description of Abnormalities: none
15. Description of Buckling Restraint (If Used):

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STRUCTURAL FATIGUE LABORATORY

1. Date of Test: Start 7-11-78 End 7-12-78
2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: MTS 701.12
3. Test Temperature: 68 °F (20 °C)
4. Relative Humidity: 55 (%)
5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
34 ksi (234.4 MPa)
6. Specimen Identification: A1-45
7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: 16.26 %
8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 253 %
9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 20.5 Hz
10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: 1/1 Flights
11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: 1/16 in. (mm)
12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 6831 Flights
13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site:

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Sketch

14. Description of Abnormalities: None
15. Description of Buckling Restraint (If Used):

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STRUCTURAL FATIGUE LABORATORY

1. Date of Test: Start 7-13-78 End 7-13-78
2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: MTS 8001P
3. Test Temperature: 68 OF (20 °C)
4. Relative Humidity: 55 (%)
5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
34 ksi (234.4 MPa)
6. Specimen Identification: AF-112
7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: none %
8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 0.53 %
9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz
10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: 111 Flights
11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: 1/16 in. (mm)
12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 5431 Flights
13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site:

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Sketch

14. Description of Abnormalities: none
15. Description of Buckling Restraint (If Used):

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STRUCTURAL FATIGUE LABORATORY

1. Date of Test: Start 7-13-78 End 7-14-78
2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: MTS 20 KIP
3. Test Temperature: 68 °F (20 °C)
4. Relative Humidity: 55 (%)
5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
34 ksi (234.4 MPa)
6. Specimen Identification: 11-47
7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: None %
8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 2.53 %
9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz
10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: 114 Flights
11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: 114 in. (mm)
12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 6831 Flights
13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site:

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14. Description of Abnormalities: None
15. Description of Buckling Restraint (If Used):

APPENDIX II

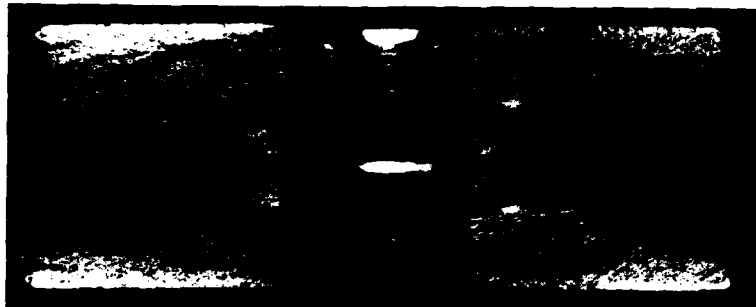
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SPECIMEN BF-242



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SPECIMEN BF-224



SPECIMEN AF-45



SPECIMEN AF-47



SPECIMEN BF-227



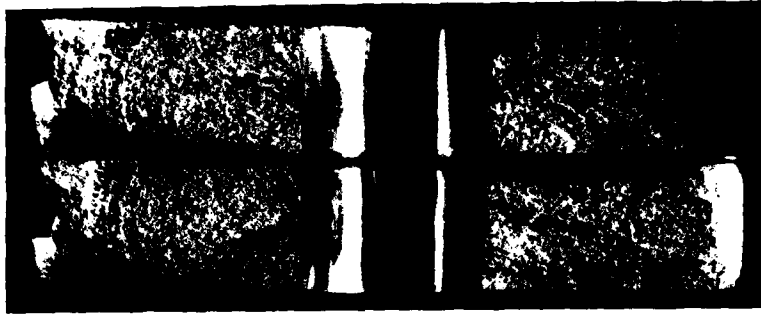
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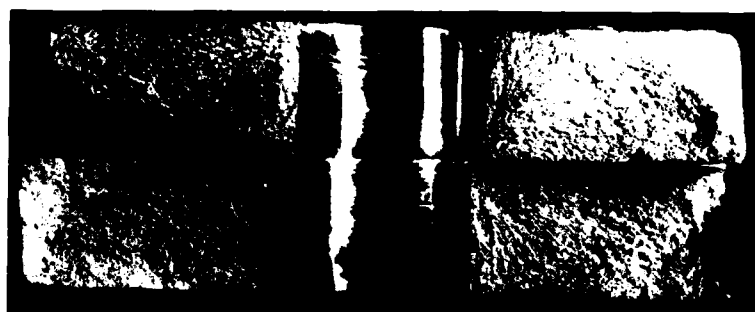
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SPECIMEN BF-223



SPECIMEN AF-112

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CRITICALLY LOADED HOLE TECHNOLOGY PILOT PROGRAM

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INTRODUCTION

A pilot program has been initiated by the AGARD SMP Subcommittee on Critically Loaded Hole Technology in an effort to promote a mutual confidence in fatigue test data generated by participating countries. The successful completion of the program will lead to a more uniform quality of fatigue testing and evaluation of critically loaded hole parameters among its participants. The objectives of the three-phase program are as follow:

- Phase I - Generate baseline, open hole, fatigue data
in order to examine laboratory-to-laboratory
variations
- Phase II - Reaffirm the exchangeability of baseline data
and investigate the effect of hole quality on
open hole fatigue specimens
- Phase III - Conduct independent fatigue evaluations of
various fatigue-improvement fasteners and
exchange data.

Participants in the program included representatives from Belgium, France, Germany, Italy, Netherlands, Sweden, United Kingdom, and the United States. All specimens for the program are to be prepared by Metcut Research Associates, Inc., from a single heat of 7050 material procured from Alcoa in the form of 7050-T76 bare sheet, 0.196-inch (5 mm) thick. Battelle's Columbus Laboratories (BCL) has been designated as the USA testing facility.

The report contained herein details the results of the Phase III effort.

GENERATION OF THE FALSTAFF SPECTRUM

In order to insure that all participants apply the same cyclic loads, each country was to test specimens under the FALSTAFF (Fighter Aircraft Loading STandard For Fatigue). The BCL fatigue load control program was generated using the computer program detailed in the definitive description of the FALSTAFF spectrum, dated March 1976. The details of the BCL load control program generation were presented in the Phase I report dated February 1978.

PROGRAM CONTROL

This section describes the BCL system and equipment used to apply and control FALSTAFF program loads. In general, the HP 2100 computer provides load steps to a hybrid unit which generates a constant ramp rate function for the MTS 20,000-pound (88,960 N) closed-loop electrohydraulic fatigue machine. A null pacing unit makes a constant comparison of programmed load-to-load cell output and signals the hybrid unit when the programmed load has been reached, at which time the ramp direction is reversed and a new load is called from the computer. This procedure continues until a preprogrammed number of flights has been reached or until the test specimen fails. A graphic presentation of the program control cycle is presented in Figure 1. A secondary computer subroutine, STATS, makes it possible to determine the flight number, total number of cycles, and percent of a pass through the spectrum completed at the moment of questioning.

Pretest Checks

Prior to initiating the fatigue test program, pretest checks were made (as in Phase I) using the Phase I spare specimen (without a hole in the test section) instrumented with two strain gages located near the specimen edge on each face of the specimen. The output of the four strain gages made it possible to determine specimen bending and buckling (if any existed) and to confirm that dynamic loads matched static calibration loads.

Bending Check

Strain gage data were obtained at incremental load steps for loads to an equivalent of 38 ksi (262 MPa) maximum and -19 ksi (131 MPa) minimum. Data were obtained for three loading cycles. The strain-load data were submitted to a linear regression analysis with resulting R^2 statistic values ranging from 1.000 to .9994. Strain values were computed for the load equivalent of 30 ksi (206.85 MPa) gross stress. Analysis of the strain values indicated that the maximum error due to specimen bending was 2.60 percent. Analysis of the compressive load data indicated that no buckling could be detected.

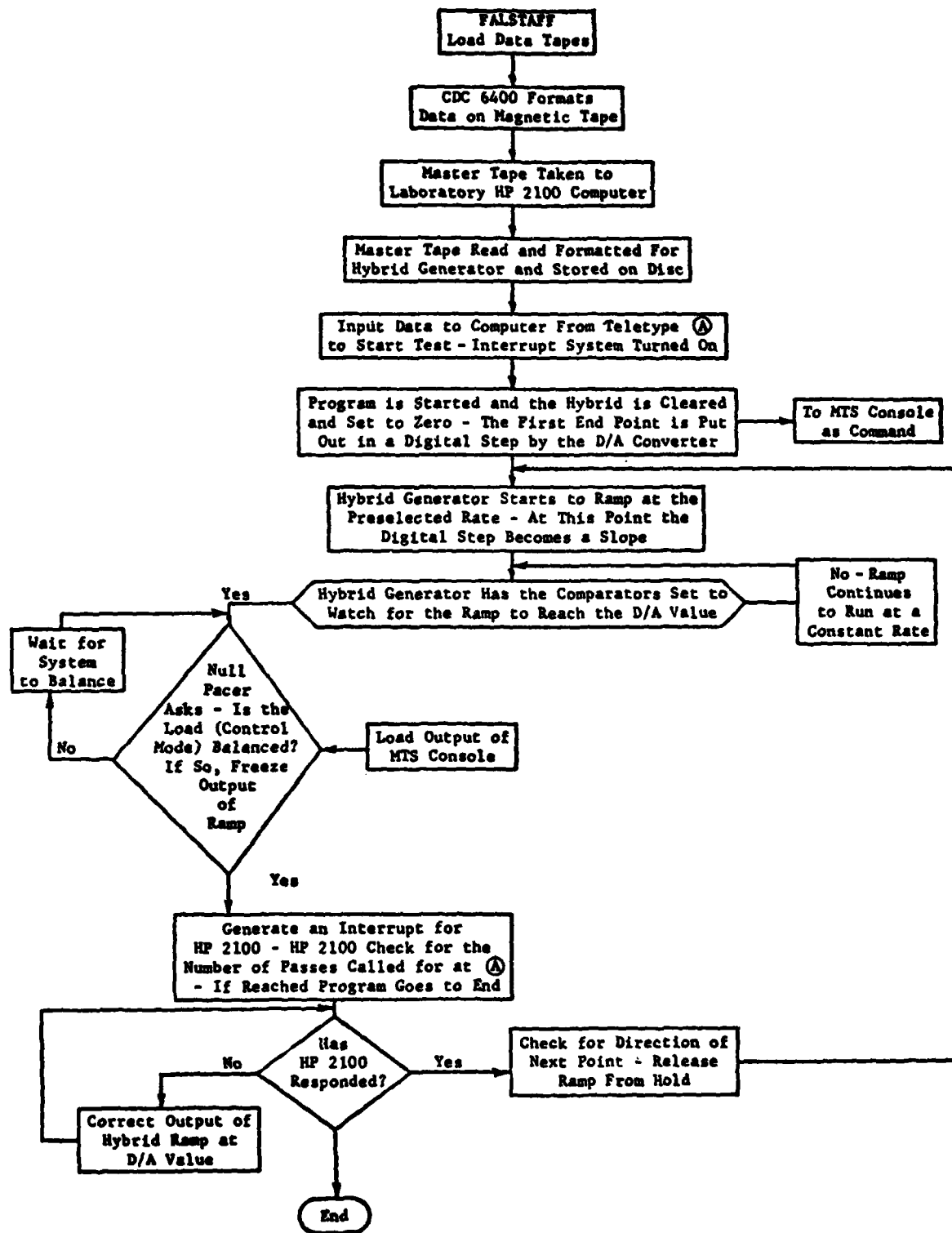


FIGURE 1. PROGRAM CONTROL CYCLE

Static-Dynamic Loads Check

Comparison of strain gage output and calibrated load cell output indicated a maximum axial load error of 1.50 percent at 38 ksi (262 MPa) static load. Application of cyclic loads at the same level provided the same strain outputs at frequencies of 1, 5, and 10 Hz.

FALSTAFF Loads Check

The specimen was subjected to FALSTAFF loads cycling and ramp rate and MTS unit controls were adjusted so that fatigue machine load output matched the command signal (reference Figure 2). Once setup was complete the controls were locked and not changed during the rest of the test program. The mean cyclic rate was determined to be 10.5 Hz. In addition, staff members of the University of Dayton Research Institute made load and spectrum accuracy measurements. These data are reported separately.

TEST RESULTS

Fatigue Load Selection

Tests were conducted on specimens assembled by Metcut Research Associates. In order to determine a reference stress level for the low-load transfer specimen used in this Phase, these specimens were assembled using HiLok fasteners installed in a tight interference fit. Analysis of the data presented in Table I indicated that a reference stress of 51 ksi (351.6 MPa) would provide a fatigue life of approximately 10,000 FALSTAFF flights to failure.

TABLE I. LOAD LEVEL DETERMINATION

Specimen Number	Reference Stress, ksi/MPa	Flights to Failure
2	57.0/393.0	1,632
4	50.0/344.7	11,371
6	51.0/351.6	10,970
7	52.0/358.5	7,210

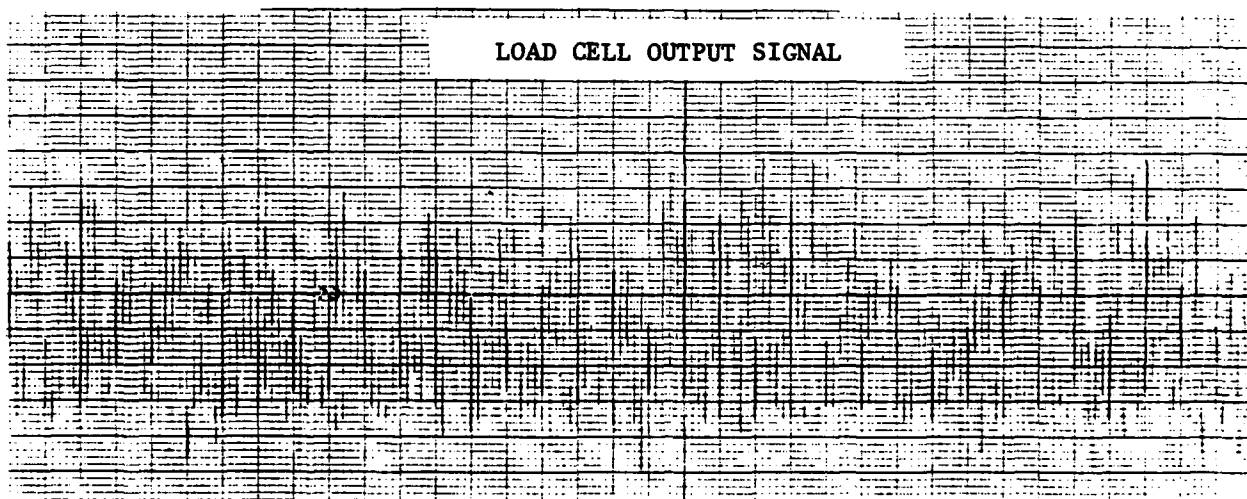
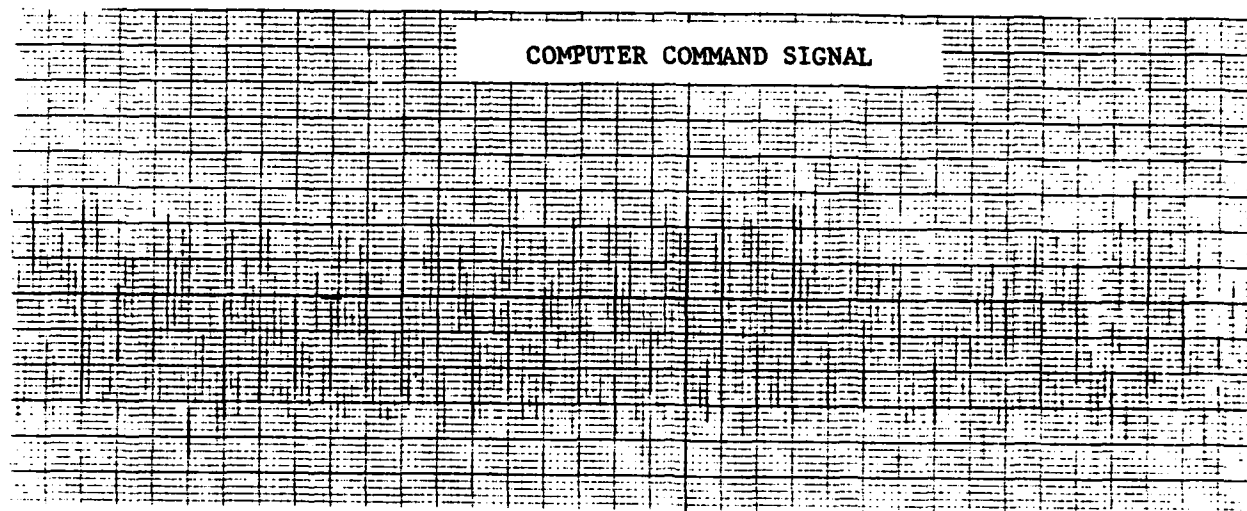


FIGURE 2. COMPUTER COMMAND AND LOAD CELL SIGNAL COMPARISON
FOR A PORTION OF THE TEST ON SPECIMEN J8-J43

Fatigue Test Program

Fatigue test specimens, as supplied by Metcut Research Associates, Inc., were selected at random from all three specimen types (K-Lobe fasteners in high and low quality holes and blind fasteners). All specimens were cycled at a reference stress of 51.0 ksi (351.6 MPa). A summary of the fatigue test data is presented in Table II and detailed data sheets are included as an appendix to this report.

NOTE: The data for the blind fastener specimen J44-J54, which failed at 3,764 flights, is not tabulated because it was tested at 42 ksi (289.6 MPa) instead of the required level.

TABLE II. FATIGUE TEST RESULTS*

Specimen Number	Flights to Failure
<u>K-Lobe in High-Quality Holes</u>	
J41-J48	15,160
J20-J42	12,344
J8-J43	9,964
J2-J17	12,734
J45-J50	7,597
J25-J35	7,080
Mean Life	10,813
Standard Deviation	3,160
<u>K-Lobe in Low-Quality Holes</u>	
J4-J33	9,164
J18-J12	9,924
J47-J10	17,228
J22-J26	6,164
J13-J53	10,164
J2-J16	13,755
Mean Life	11,070
Standard Deviation	3,875
<u>Blind Fasteners</u>	
J32-J51	1,364
J6-J40	1,964
J5-J55	1,534
J7-J36	1,544
J24-J30	1,597
Mean Life	1,600
Standard Deviation	221

* FALSTAFF reference stress - 51 ksi
(351.6 MPa)

APPENDIX 1

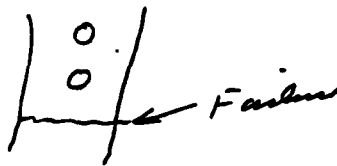
DETAILED DATA SHEETS

DATA SHEET

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TESTS CONDUCTED BY: BATTELLE'S COLUMBUS LABORATORIES
STRUCTURAL MATERIALS AND TRIBOLOGY SECTION
STRUCTURAL FATIGUE LABORATORY

1. Date of Test: Start May 5, 1979 End May 6, 1979
2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: MTS
3. Test Temperature: 70 °F (21 °C)
4. Relative Humidity: 42 (%)
5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
51.0 ksi (351.6 MPa)
6. Specimen Identification: 8 (5A) J25-J35
7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: None %
8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 2.6 %
9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz
10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: -- Flights
11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: -- in. (-- mm)
12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 7080 Flights
13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site: 3/8" below bottom fastener



Sketch

14. Description of Abnormalities: _____
15. Description of Buckling Restraint (If Used): _____

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1. Date of Test: Start May 8, 1979 End May 9, 1979

2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: MTS 50 KIP

3. Test Temperature: 70 °F (21 °C)

4. Relative Humidity: 42 (%)

5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
51.0 ksi (351.6 MPa)

6. Specimen Identification: 5 J45-J50

7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: None %

8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 2.6 %

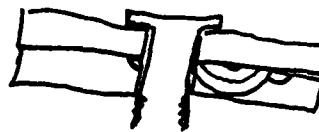
9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz

10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: -- Flights

11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: -- in. (mm)

12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 7597 Flights

13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site:



14. Description of Abnormalities: _____

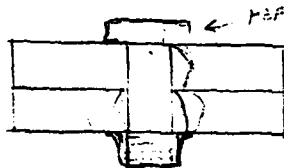
15. Description of Buckling Restraint (If Used): _____

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STRUCTURAL MATERIALS AND TRIBOLOGY SECTION
STRUCTURAL FATIGUE LABORATORY

1. Date of Test: Start July 13, 1979 End July 13, 1979
2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: MTS 50 KIP
3. Test Temperature: 70 °F (21 °C)
4. Relative Humidity: 50 (%)
5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
- 51.0 ksi (351.6 MPa)
6. Specimen Identification: 10 J24-J30
7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: None %
8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 2.6 %
9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz
10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: -- Flights
11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: -- in. (mm)
12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 1597 Flights
13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site:



Sketch

14. Description of Abnormalities: _____
- _____
15. Description of Buckling Restraint (If Used): _____
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1. Date of Test: Start July 16, 1979 End July 17, 1979

2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: MTS 50 KIP

3. Test Temperature: 70 °F (21 °C)

4. Relative Humidity: 50 (%)

5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
42.0 ksi (289.6 MPa)

6. Specimen Identification: 11 J44-J54

7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: None %

8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 2.6 %

9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz

10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: -- Flights

11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: -- in. (-- mm)

12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 3764 Flights

13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site:



14. Description of Abnormalities: Wrong Stress

15. Description of Buckling Restraint (If Used): _____

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1. Date of Test: Start July 17, 1979 End July 18, 1979

2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: MTS 50 KIP

3. Test Temperature: 69 °F (20 °C)

4. Relative Humidity: 49 (%)

5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
51 ksi (351.6 MPa)

6. Specimen Identification: 12 J4-J33

7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: None %

8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 2.6 %

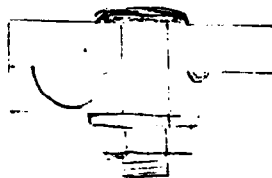
9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz

10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: -- Flights

11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: -- in. (mm)

12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 9,164.06 Flights

13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site:



14. Description of Abnormalities: _____

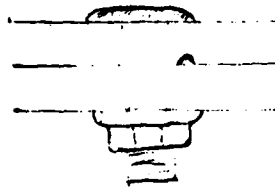
15. Description of Buckling Restraint (If Used): _____

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TESTS CONDUCTED BY: BATTELLE'S COLUMBUS LABORATORIES
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STRUCTURAL FATIGUE LABORATORY

1. Date of Test: Start July 18, 1979 End July 19, 1979
2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: MTS 50 KIP
3. Test Temperature: 71 °F (22 °C)
4. Relative Humidity: 42 (%)
5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
51 ksi (351.6 MPa)
6. Specimen Identification: 13 J18-J12
7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: None %
8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 2.6 %
9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz
10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: -- Flights
11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: -- in. (--- mm)
12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 9,923.66 Flights
13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site: -----



Sketch

14. Description of Abnormalities: -----
15. Description of Buckling Restraint (If Used): -----

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STRUCTURAL MATERIALS AND TRIBOLOGY SECTION
STRUCTURAL FATIGUE LABORATORY

1. Date of Test: Start July 19, 1979 End July 20, 1979
2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: MTS 50 KIP
3. Test Temperature: 70 °F (21 °C)
4. Relative Humidity: 40 (%)
5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
51 ksi (351.6 MPa)
6. Specimen Identification: 14 J47-J10
7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: None %
8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 2.6 %
9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz
10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: -- Flights
11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: -- in. (-- mm)
12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 17,228.46 Flights
13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site: -----



Sketch

14. Description of Abnormalities: -----

15. Description of Buckling Restraint (If Used): -----

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1. Date of Test: Start July 20, 1979 End July 21, 1979

2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: MTS 50 KIP

3. Test Temperature: 70 °F (21 °C)

4. Relative Humidity: 44 (%)

5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
51 ksi (351.6 MPa)

6. Specimen Identification: 15 J22-J26

7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: None %

8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 2.6 %

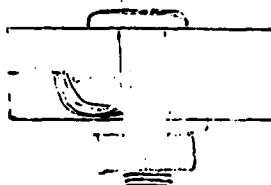
9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz

10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: -- Flights

11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: -- in. (mm)

12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 6,164.42 Flights

13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site:



14. Description of Abnormalities: _____

15. Description of Buckling Restraint (If Used): _____

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1. Date of Test: Start July 21, 1979 End July 22, 1979

2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: MTS 50 KIP

3. Test Temperature: 70 °F (21 °C)

4. Relative Humidity: 47 (%)

5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
51 ksi (351.6 MPa)

6. Specimen Identification: 16 J13-J53

7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: None %

8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 2.6 %

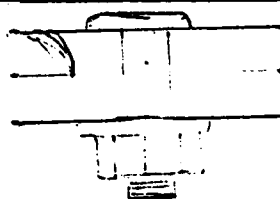
9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz

10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: -- Flights

11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: -- in. (mm)

12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 10,164.42 Flights

13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site:



14. Description of Abnormalities: _____

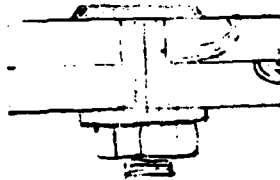
15. Description of Buckling Restraint (If Used): _____

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STRUCTURAL FATIGUE LABORATORY

1. Date of Test: Start July 23, 1979 End July 24, 1979
2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: 50 KIP MTS
3. Test Temperature: 70 °F (21 °C)
4. Relative Humidity: 50 (%)
5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
51 ksi (351.6 MPa)
6. Specimen Identification: 17 J2-J16
7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: None %
8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 2.6 %
9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz
10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: -- Flights
11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: -- in. (-- mm)
12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 13,754.98 Flights
13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site:



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14. Description of Abnormalities: _____
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15. Description of Buckling Restraint (If Used): _____
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STRUCTURAL MATERIALS AND TRIBOLOGY SECTION
STRUCTURAL FATIGUE LABORATORY

1. Date of Test: Start July 24, 1979 End
2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: 50 KIP MTS
3. Test Temperature: 70 °F (21 °C)
4. Relative Humidity: 50 (%)
5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
51 ksi (351.6 MPa)
6. Specimen Identification: 6 J32-J51
7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: None %
8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 2.6 %
9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz
10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: -- Flights
11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: -- in. (mm)
12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 1,364.06 Flights
13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site:



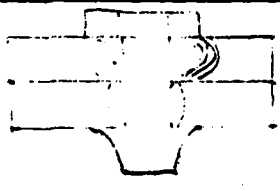
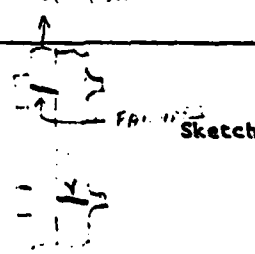
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14. Description of Abnormalities:
15. Description of Buckling Restraint (If Used):

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STRUCTURAL FATIGUE LABORATORY

1. Date of Test: Start July 24, 1979 End July 25, 1979
 2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: MTS 50 KIP
 3. Test Temperature: 70 °F (21 °C)
 4. Relative Humidity: 50 (%)
 5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
51 ksi (351.6 MPa)
 6. Specimen Identification: 7 J6-J40
 7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: None %
 8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 2.6 %
 9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz
 10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: -- Flights
 11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: -- in. (-- mm)
 12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 1,964.06 Flights
 13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site: --
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14. Description of Abnormalities: --
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 15. Description of Buckling Restraint (If Used): --
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1. Date of Test: Start July 25, 1979 End July 25, 1979

2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: 50 KIP MTS

3. Test Temperature: 70 or (21 °C)

4. Relative Humidity: 52 (%)

5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)

51 ksi (351.6 MPa)

6. Specimen Identification: 8 J5-J55

7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: -- %

8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 2.6 %

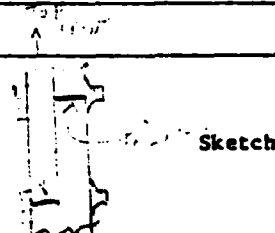
9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz

10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: -- Flights

11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: -- in. (-- mm)

12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 1,534.34 Flights

13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site:



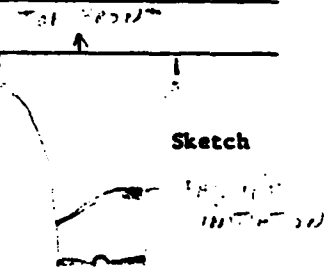
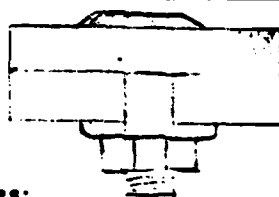
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TESTS CONDUCTED BY: BATTELLE'S COLUMBUS LABORATORIES
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STRUCTURAL FATIGUE LABORATORY

1. Date of Test: Start July 25, 1979 End July 27, 1979
2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: MTS 50 KIP
3. Test Temperature: 70 °F (21 °C)
4. Relative Humidity: 52 (%)
5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
51 ksi (351.6 MPa)
6. Specimen Identification: 1 J41-J48
7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: -- %
8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 2.6 %
9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz
10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: -- Flights
11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: -- in. (-- mm)
12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 15,160.5 Flights
13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site: --



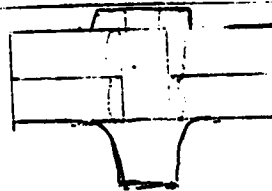
14. Description of Abnormalities: --
15. Description of Buckling Restraint (If Used): --

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STRUCTURAL FATIGUE LABORATORY

1. Date of Test: Start July 27, 1979 End July 27, 1979
2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: MTS 50 KIP
3. Test Temperature: 68 of (20 °C)
4. Relative Humidity: 50 (%)
5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
51 ksi (351.6 MPa)
6. Specimen Identification: 9 J7-J36
7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: -- %
8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 2.6 %
9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz
10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: -- Flights
11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: -- in. (-- mm)
12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 1,564.06 Flights
13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site: _____



Sketch

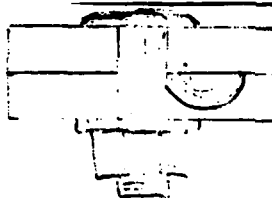
14. Description of Abnormalities: _____
15. Description of Buckling Restraint (If Used): _____

DATA SHEET

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TESTS CONDUCTED BY: BATTELLE'S COLUMBUS LABORATORIES
STRUCTURAL MATERIALS AND TRIBOLOGY SECTION
STRUCTURAL FATIGUE LABORATORY

1. Date of Test: Start July 27, 1979 End July 28, 1979
2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: MTS 50 KIP
3. Test Temperature: 68 °F (20 °C)
4. Relative Humidity: 50 (%)
5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
51 ksi (351.6 MPa)
6. Specimen Identification: 2 J2-J42
7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: -- %
8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 2.6 %
9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz
10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: -- Flights
11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: -- in. (mm)
12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 12,344.12 Flights
13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site:



Sketch

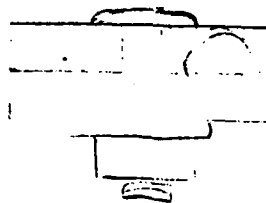
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15. Description of Buckling Restraint (If Used): _____

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TESTS CONDUCTED BY: BATTELLE'S COLUMBUS LABORATORIES
STRUCTURAL MATERIALS AND TRIBOLOGY SECTION
STRUCTURAL FATIGUE LABORATORY

1. Date of Test: Start July 30, 1979 End July 31, 1979
2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: MTS 50 KIP
3. Test Temperature: 68 °F (20 °C)
4. Relative Humidity: 50 (%)
5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
51 ksi (351.6 MPa)
6. Specimen Identification: 3 J8-J43
7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: -- %
8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 2.6 %
9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz
10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: -- Flights
11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: -- in. (mm)
12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 9,964.06 Flights
13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site:



Sketch

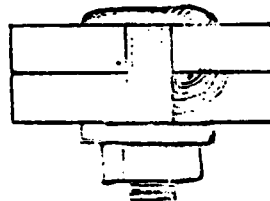
14. Description of Abnormalities: _____
15. Description of Buckling Restraint (If Used): _____

DATA SHEET

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TESTS CONDUCTED BY: BATTELLE'S COLUMBUS LABORATORIES
STRUCTURAL MATERIALS AND TRIBOLOGY SECTION
STRUCTURAL FATIGUE LABORATORY

1. Date of Test: Start July 31, 1979 End _____
2. Manufacture/Model of Fatigue Test Machine: MTS 50 KIP
3. Test Temperature: 70 of (21 °C)
4. Relative Humidity: 50 (%)
5. Reference (Gross) Stress Level of FALSTAFF Spectrum (Step 32)
51 ksi (351.6 MPa)
6. Specimen Identification: 4 J2-J17
7. Specimen Bending at Minimum Load: -- %
8. Specimen Bending at RMS Mean Load: 2.6 %
9. RMS Mean Cyclic Frequency: 10.5 Hz
10. Number of Flights to Initial Visible Crack: -- Flights
11. Size of Initial Visible Crack: -- in. (--- mm)
12. Number of Flights to Catastrophic Failure: 12,734.34 Flights
13. Fatigue-Crack-Initiation Site: _____



Sketch

14. Description of Abnormalities: _____
15. Description of Buckling Restraint (If Used): _____

A P P E N D I X F

APPENDIX
VERIFICATION OF LOADING ACCURACY FOR
FALSTAFF LOAD SEQUENCE

As a part of the critically loaded hole program, the University of Dayton, USA, conducted a program to determine whether or not all participating countries were applying identical spectrum load levels at the agreed-to reference stress level.

A.1 METHOD OF VERIFICATION

The evaluation was conducted using a master load cell specimen which replaced the standard test specimen (Phase III) in the fatigue machine. Each participating laboratory applied one complete spectrum (200 flights) of FALSTAFF to the master load cell specimen using the same servo control and program setup as was used for the Phase III low load transfer specimen.

A histogram recorder (data acquisition system) was used to record the number of load reversals that occurred within a narrow range of the load. The band width for each range was one-fourth of a FALSTAFF load level. The recorder had 128 storage locations for the reversals that were peaks and 128 storage locations for the reversals that were valleys. A schematic diagram of the recording system is shown in Figure A.1.

A.2 DESCRIPTION AND FUNCTION OF EQUIPMENT

A.2.1 Master Load Cell Specimen

The master load cell specimen was designed to fit in the testing machines without any modification to the grip arrangement. The specimen was designed so that it had the same stiffness as the reverse double dog-bone low load transfer test specimen.

The master load cell specimen had two strain gage bridges; one of the bridges was calibrated traceable to the USA

Bureau of Standards and was used to calibrate the second bridge and the histogram recorder.

A.2.2 Histogram Recorder

The histogram recorder was a Sun Systems, Inc. ADASTOR II Solid State Recorder with duplicate sections for the peak and valley histograms. The recorder had two analog to digital converters and two microprocessors, one each for the peak recorder and one for the valley recorder. The fact that there were two analog to digital converters and two processors caused some confusion because the number of peaks recorded did not always equal the number of valleys recorded. We expected that the number of peaks would have to equal the number of valleys since the program for the peaks was the same as for the valleys. The only reason for any difference would have to be due to a different requirement for the change in load to define a peak than to define a valley. Both recorders were programmed to require a change in load of 1.5 FALSTAFF steps to define a peak or valley.

During the recording phase of the program, there were several times when many more valleys than peaks were recorded. This difficulty was thought to be caused by low battery voltage, however, after the recording program was completed the ADASTOR II was returned to Sun Systems for analysis. Sun Systems reported that the analog to digital converter on the valley recorder was adding electronic noise to the signal and then processed by the microprocessor. Sun Systems replaced the A-D converter in the valley recorder and since that time we have not had any extra readings in the valley recorder. We have just now used the recorder on a test that lasted seven hours without a single error by the recorder and without recharging the batteries.

The introduction of the noise on the valley recorder signal may have caused some valleys to be recorded at a lower value than was actually applied to the specimen and we know that it caused additional valleys to be recorded. For these reasons we have not reported all of the valley data for one country.

A.3 RESULTS

The results of the study are presented in Table A.1. The first column in the table (labeled FALSTAFF) lists the expected number of peaks or valleys at the particular FALSTAFF load level. Note that all of these levels are integer levels. The other seven columns are the recordings from the seven countries that participated in the program.

In the following presentation of the results, no comments will be made, with reference to any one laboratory, about load levels seven and eight for the peaks and load levels five and six for the valleys. The zero load level for the FALSTAFF sequence is 7.527 and the first load in the sequence is level eight and the last load level in flight 200 is load level six. Because the various laboratories used different initial values before the sequence was started and also different techniques to stop after 200 flights, there was the problem of perhaps not having the first or last load reversal. In some laboratories, it was also possible that one or two of the taxi cycles were too small for the histogram recorder to identify a peak or valley. The taxi cycles were equal to two FALSTAFF levels and the histogram recorder required 1-1/2 levels to identify a peak or valley. Actually most countries had the exact number of peaks or valleys for levels five, six, seven, and eight and those that didn't were only in error by one or two counts.

I have banded the data by FALSTAFF load levels.

A.3.1 Countries 1, 2, 3, and 6

As one can see from an examination of the data in Table A.1, there doesn't appear to be any question about which programmed load levels correlate with the histogram recordings for the first three countries and Country No. 6.

A.3.2 Country 4

For Country No. 4, there is a question about the peaks at load levels 16 and 17 since load level 16 has five

extra peaks and load level 17 has five too few peaks, also load level 12 has two extra peaks whereas load level 13 is missing two. There is no way from the histogram data to conclude if these loads are programmed incorrectly or if the incorrect load was applied by the hydraulics or for that matter if the histogram recorder assigned these few peaks to the wrong memory cell. The valley data for column four also shows an extra valley in load level 12 and one too few at load level 13. Because there isn't any separation between the valley recording at load levels 12 and 13 it is impossible to say whether one of the recordings (counts) at load level 12.25 was programmed for load level 13 or load level 12. The number 28 recorded for load level 12.25 could be interpreted as one valley intended for level 13 and 27 intended for load level 12.

A.3.3 Country 5

The histogram recordings reported in column five required more deduction to assign the numbers to the bands. The first page of peaks has a one to one correspondence between the expected and recorded numbers. The recordings at load levels 15.5, 16.5, 17.5, 18.5, and 19.5 had to be divided between the next higher and lower integer levels to make the histograms correlate. The difficulty here is that one cannot say if some of the peaks recorded at 15.25, 16.25, 17.25, 18.25, and 19.25 were not programmed to be at the next higher integer level, however, since at the other load levels there was not this great a variation we assumed that the overlap was only in the one level, i.e., half way between the integer levels. This assumption made all of the recordings correlate with the expected values except load level 15 was one short and load level 13 was two short. The same procedure was used for the valleys. All of the recordings could be assigned to one of the load levels except level 12 was short four valleys.

A.3.4 Country 7

The data from Country No. 7 is the only set which contains an excess of counts in the peaks recorder. Some load levels contained the correct number of peaks (levels 32, 30, 29,

25, 22, 8, and 7) and some other levels were only off a few counts (levels 26, 21, 18, 14, 13). Based on the number of load levels that had the correct or nearly correct number of peaks, I think one can state that the spectrum generation was correct and that the hydraulic-servo system was capable of applying the correct load levels. There does appear to be a question as to what caused the extra counts in the peak recorder. At no other time, before or after this recording, did we get extra counts in the peak recorder. It is possible that the recorder malfunctioned or that the hydraulic-servo system was introducing a vibration in the system. Since only certain load levels were involved, it could be that the vibration was frequency dependent since the frequency used was a function of the range of the load change.

The histogram of the valleys was more erratic than the one for the peaks and had many more recordings than the peaks. Some of the load levels were correct (levels 24, 23, 20, 19, 17, 16, 3, 2, and 1) the other load levels except for level 18 had too many valleys. Some of these extra recordings could be due to the noise on the analog to digital converter and some of them could be due to a vibration in the test machine.

The data from Country No. 7 is not as meaningful as the others since the servovalve system used with the test machine and the spectrum frequency were not the same as was used for the Phase III test program.

A.4 DISCUSSION

The general conclusion from the verification program is that the various participating laboratories do quite a good job of applying spectrum loads.

Country No. 1 was excellent.

Country No. 2 was also excellent but with the peaks biased toward the high side and the valleys toward the low side. Too much span.

PEAKS

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TABLE A.1. FALSTAFF HISTOGRAMS
PEAKS CONTINUED

Falstaff	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
21.5				267			
21	—331—	—331—	—331—	241	272	404	
20.5			498	25	191	129	30
20	—640—	—640—	640	67	57		495
20				510	13	511	9
19.5				63	256	129	199
19	—954—	—954—	954	575	109		216
19				24	8		580
18.5				787	364	737	4
18	—987—	—987—	987	72	452	216	303
18				882	116		441
17.5				33	18	12	586
17	—1151—	—1151—	1151	801	428	743	3
17				153	416	241	
16.5				934	122	3	402
16	—1282—	—1282—	1282		9	10	586
16							1
15.5							645
15	—1999—	—1999—	1999	809	378	938	508
15				328	599	213	6
14.5				1104	156		672
14	—4145—	—3896—	4140	764	16	5	1119
14		249		514	313	930	279
13.5				9	731	350	2
13	—4058—	—3732—	4052	1244	205	2	775
13		326			28	9	1758
12.5					188	1523	358
12	—493—	—446—	—488—	1153	1423	476	2
12		47		837	370		775
11.5				1987	8		1758
11	—43—	—39—	—40—				358
11		4					2
10.5							3819
10							325
							127
							3867
							61
							511
							346
							292
							24

TABLE A.1. FALSTAFF HISTOGRAMS
PEAKS CONCLUDED

Falstaff	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
9.5							
9							
8.5							
8	445	182	444	303	142	441	368
		263	1	142	142	4	76
7.5			440		274		1
			4		27		
7	155	155	155	155	155	155	155
			155				
6.5			1				

TABLE A.1. FALSTAFF HISTOGRAMS
VALLEYS

Falstaff	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
26							
25.5	1	1					
25	1			1	1	1	
24.5			1			1	
24	2	2		1	1	1	
23.5			2		1		2
23	3	1				1	
22.5		2			1	1	
22	3	1		1		3	
21.5	4	3		2	3		16
21			4	1	1	4	4
20.5	10	10		5		2	
20	12	2		7	10	6	5
19.5			12		2		25
19	12	22		8	7	9	2
18.5	23	11		12	9	3	1
18		1	23	3	5	11	8
17.5					2	7	15
17	23	36		6	11	4	
16.5	37	14		26	16	26	18
16		1	37	4	6		19
15.5				1	2	3	
15	41	1		15	2	5	
14.5	69	68	69	41	31	61	49
				12	17		18
				1	5	1	
	15	6		14	3	10	
	120	129		99	71	124	109
			132	18	16		20
			3	4	9		4
	10	23		9	2	36	2
	234	224	211	170	108	214	225
			232	46	69		9
			2	9	19		
	7	104		6	2	62	4
	327	320	223	239	144	299	305
			322	59	88		8
			5	23	33		

TABLE A.1. FALSTAFF HISTOGRAMS
VALLEYS CONTINUED

Falstaff	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
14.5							
14	511	511	425	44	74	42	17
13.5			86	326	226	469	471
13	716	716	619	132	169		80
12.5			97	506	42		
12			19	18	82	65	
11.5				472	328	651	
11			697	206	232		
10.5			19	19	73		
10	1445	1445	1290	28	193	75	
9.5			155	992	766	1364	
9			1404	385	381	6	
8.5			41	41	101	6	
8	4387	4387	3884	49	1154	104	
7.5			503	3353	2206	2528	
7			4228	906	829	1755	
6.5			159	79	192	24	
6	6711	6709	6180	12	2143	48	
5.5		2	531	5678	3789	3139	
5			6425	926	634	3524	
4.5			286	95	121	2	
4	1941	1941	29	3	324	23	
3.5			1911	1382	1194	1078	
			1	525	375	840	
			81	31	46	1	
	543	543	28	190	33	12	
			515	343	306	288	
			530	10	200	243	
			13	31	1	2	
	36	35	7	5	18	21	
			29	36	17	13	
					26		
	508	266	508	441	269	2	
		243	41	67	158	368	
			435		54	137	
			31				
	327	182		269	309		
		145		58	11	144	
			161		7	183	
			166				
	6	5		3			
		1		3	2		
			5		4	6	
			1				

TABLE A.1. FALSTAFF HISTOGRAMS
VALLEYS CONCLUDED

Falstaff	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
3.5				1			1
3	1	1			1	1	
2.5		1	1				
2	2	2		2	2	2	2
1.5		1	2			2	2
1	2	2		2	2	1	
0.5		2	2			1	
0							
-0.5							
-1							
-1.5							
-1.75							